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PROVINCIAL GOV'T EVACUATING CANTON

Moving to Kukong to escape air attacks

SHEK LUNG RAIDED

The Chinese Communist Kwangtung provincial government is planning to evacuate Canton because of the continued Nationalist air raids, according to reports reaching Hong Kong yesterday says United Press.

Canton, which had been raided some 50 times during the past three months, was attacked again on Sunday by Nationalist warplanes. Many residents were reported leaving the city which is the capital of Kwangtung Province.

The Red provincial government was reported planning to move its capital to Kukong, 110 miles North of Canton, to escape further bombings.

There were reports that a number of minor Red officials had been "disappearing" near Canton and that small Red army patrols had been ambushed.

The move would permit the provincial government to tighten controls on the country districts where armed peasants had been staging widespread anti-Communist revolts.

The intensified Nationalist air war has forced the Canton government to revise working hours and operations. Government personnel hereafter will work from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

It was announced earlier that trains between Canton and the British border will run only at night and will be blacked out. Nationalist warplanes had been bombing railway bridges and attacking traffic.

In addition to Sunday's raid on Canton Nationalist planes returned to Kongmoon where 1,000 Chinese were reported killed and wounded in an attack last Thursday. Kongmoon is North of the Portuguese colony of Macao.

Shek Lung bridge raided

Two Nationalist war planes bombed and strafed Shek Lung railway bridge, about 35 miles North of the border town of Shumchun, at about 8 o'clock yesterday morning causing slight damage to the bridge, the "China Mail" learns.

During the course of the air attack, the raiders damaged a motor boat and some 10 junks which were in the Shek Lung river, near the railway bridge.

According to eyewitnesses, the Nationalist aircraft were sighted a few minutes before 8 a.m. They circled above the bridge for a few minutes before starting the attack which was done from a low altitude.

The Communists have installed numerous anti-aircraft guns near the vicinity of the Shek Lung railway bridge.

These guns, during the raid, put up an intensive fire against the two Nationalist raiders.

Shumchun evacuation

Meanwhile at Shumchun and its neighbouring areas, strict daily evacuation orders have now been enforced by the Communists.

The orders called for the residents of the border town and its neighbouring areas to evacuate to rural districts from dawn to 3 p.m. daily.

Restaraunt keepers and other food sellers at Shumchun since yesterday notified their customers to pay cash before food is served. This is to ensure the shop keepers that in case of an air raid the restaraunts will have nothing to lose on the food they sell.

Secret Red air force

Meanwhile, United Press continues in a despatch from Hollow that Nationalist military intelligence believes momentarily expect the debut of a hitherto secret Communist air force spearheading an all-out attempt to break the Nationalist blockade.

The Nationalists estimate the Red air force at 50 fighters and bombers which had been hoarded in Manchuria where, they claim, an extensive flight training centre was located, supervised by the Russians. Military sources say the Reds are using Czech modified Messerschmidts similar to those used by the Jews in the Palestine war.

The Nationalist reports that Russian pilots were being imported were regarded as propaganda by neutrals.

Even discounting most of the Nationalist air claims there is no doubt that the blockade and unopposed bombings are paralysing the Red economy and stalemating the invasions of Hainan and Taiwan and must be stopped by the Communists at any cost.

The Nationalist air force in Hainan has been strengthened to the point where invasion is impossible without air cover. The Nationalists are most confident they can drive the Communists from the skies once the air war begins, claiming better trained and more experienced pilots.

Much will depend on the Red equipment. The Nationalists are burdened mostly with war surpluses and vintage planes which are easily outclassed by the newest fighters if these are obtained by the Reds. The Nationalists expect the air counter-attacks to be limited to night bombings of Hainan and Taiwan airfields in an attempt to halt the devastating bombings and break up the blockade.

The Chinese Air Force deserves a lion's share of the credit for saving Hainan and Taiwan as so far it has prevented the Communists from assembling the necessary invasion fleet and concentrating troops along the coastal areas. The CAF is also supplying the mainland guerillas with nightly airdrops from Hainan with claims of "increasing success."

U.S. ship bombed at Tsingtao

Tokyo, February 27.

Unidentified planes bombed and strafed the American freighter Pioneer Dale off Tsingtao breakwater, 300 miles North of Shanghai today, according to a radio message received here by the ship's agents.

The 8,218-ton Pioneer Dale is owned by the United States Lines and registered in New York.—Reuter.

Nationalist General arrested

Taipeh, February 27.

Authorities here have admitted the recent arrest of a Nationalist Major-General on charges of criticising the Government with malicious intent.

The man is Ma Kai-lien, who preferred to be known as Michael Ma. He was formerly an adviser on foreign affairs to General Pai Chung-hsi, who at the time commanded the Nationalist armies in Central China.

Ma, who spent his early youth in Australia, claimed to have been educated at Rugby and Queen's College, Oxford.

He also claimed to have been arrested in Hong Kong by the Japanese after having spied on them for the Chinese.

He said he was imprisoned with Major Charles Boxer. According to Ma's story, he and Boxer were among a group of 20 men sentenced to be beheaded. All had to dig their own graves and after four had paid the penalty, a last-minute reprieve for Ma, Boxer and the rest reached the camp's commandant.—Associated Press.

Only 25 KMT soldiers sent back to HK

Taipeh, February 27.

Only 25 of the Nationalist soldiers in the shipload brought to Taiwan from Hong Kong will now have to return to the Colony, the authorities here declared.

They will go back on the British steamer Kweiyang which transported them to Keelung, port of Taipeh.

The authorities gave these figures:

The Kweiyang carried 1,015 soldiers and dependents; 830 have been allowed to land; 160 others will be sent to rejoin their former units on Chusan Island and the Pescadores; 25 will be sent back to Hong Kong.—Associated Press.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the anticyclone centred over E China continues to intensify and dominates China, Japan and the adjacent seas. Giving rise to gale winds round the China coast.

Today's Forecast:—Moderate NE winds becoming fresh NE after midday. Generally cloudy some local breaks during afternoon.

Yesterday's Weather:—

Maximum: 64.0 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 56.0 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 3.0 hours.
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—71.4 mm. as against an average of 75.6 mm. as at Feb. 27.
Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Pressure: 1027.4 1026.4 m.b.
Humidity: 87% 80% [illegible]
Temperature: 61 61 deg. F.
Dew Point: 55 55 deg. F.
Wind Direction: NNE by N NE by E
Wind Force: 15 [illegible]

Mao's farewell to Moscow

Mr. Mao Tse-tung, Chairman of the Government of the Chinese People's Republic, makes a farewell broadcast at Moscow's Yaroslavl station before boarding his train to return to China. Left to right are Wan Hsiah-sian; Chinese Foreign Minister Chou En-lai; Mao Tse-tung; Soviet Politburo members V. M. Molotov, N. A. Bulganin and A. I. Mikoyan; and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky.—(AP Photo).

Spitfire crashes near Tung Wan

A Royal Air Force Spitfire crashed into the sea three miles East North East of Tung Wan Island at midday yesterday, killing the pilot instantly.

The aircraft, which was on a routine gunnery exercise with three other Spitfires, blew up when it hit the water.

The pilot, whose name has been withheld until the next of kin have been informed, was picked up by a Medical Department launch. He was found to have suffered injuries to his face and fractured arms.

An eyewitness reported that he saw the plane spiralling into the sea about five miles from his original position at about 12.30 p.m. Twenty minutes later he reached the scene and found the pilot floating near the wheels of the plane and a Red Cross wooden box.

The informant added that he saw smoke pouring from the plane as it hit the water.

The sea in the vicinity of the wreckage, which had sunk, was covered with oil. There were no other floating articles except what were picked up.

A Police launch arrived on the scene and took the body of the pilot back to Victoria.

Earlier in the day, the Spitfires were seen exercising over the Harbour. Pedestrians along the Praya gathered at street corners to witness the manoeuvres of the speedy aircraft as they circled over the Island.

Red official to take over Nationalist assets in Colony

Mr. Chi Chao-ting, one of China's foremost economists, is expected to arrive in Hong Kong this week to take over Nationalist Government property officially on behalf of the new People's Central Government.

He is the only person who has been authorised by the Peking regime to assume overall control of all Nationalist property and assets in the Colony.

When he has completed his work here, Mr. Chi intends to leave for Lake Success as the first delegate of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations.

Whether or not the American State Department will provide him with a visa to enter the United States could not be ascertained here yesterday.

Mr. Chi was formerly head of the Research Department of the Central Bank of China before the Chinese Communist Party defeated the Nationalist Government on the mainland.

In 1948 he represented the National Government at the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and Far East conference in Australia.

He was educated at Harvard University and was formerly closely associated with Dr. T. V. Soong and Dr. H. H. Kung. He is an author of a number of books on economic subjects.

Mr. Chi is at present in Canton. On his arrival here he will set up his headquarters at the Bank of China.

The Nationalist property which he will take over includes—the Bank of China, the Farmers' Bank, the Bank of Communications, the Kwangtung Provincial Bank, the National Resources Commission's offices and assets, the Central Trust, CNAC, CATC, Ministry of Communications' offices and assets, and other state enterprises of the Nationalist Government.

Westerling smuggled out in Dutch plane

Jakarta, February 27.

A Defence Ministry spokesman said today Indonesia has proof that Captain R. P. P. (Turk) Westerling, rebel leader, was smuggled out of this country aboard a Dutch Navy plane.

The spokesman said Defence Minister Sultan Hamengku Buwono had confronted Dutch High Commissioner H.M. Hirschfield with evidence. Hirschfield's office refused to comment on the Indonesian charges.

The spokesman, Major Surjarwo, said the Indonesian Government would not hold Hirschfield's office responsible for the actions of the Dutch Navy, since, under the Independence pact, the Navy will operate in Indonesian waters under orders of the Indonesian government for one year.

Dutch Secretary General of War Fochema meets this morning with Indonesian Chief of Staff Colonel Simatupang to discuss the implications of Westerling's escape.

Surjarwo said the Defence Ministry is preparing documents to be handed to the British asking that Westerling be extradited on criminal charges.—Associated Press.

PEKING CHARGES DENIED IN MALAYA

Singapore, February 27.

A Malayan Government spokesman today described as "flagrant lies" the Peking Communist Radio's charges that the Royal Air Force "wantonly bombed" a Chinese school in Johore, Malaya, on February 7, killing five school-children "and many other people."

No one was killed in the incident, which was accidental, the spokesman said. Five school-children and 21 labourers had been injured but were expected to be discharged from hospital. Compensation was being [illegible]

Formosan demand for freedom

Tokyo, February 27.

Independence-seeking Formosans of the Formosan League issued a statement today on the eve of what they described as "the third anniversary of the February 28 revolution."

It reiterates their often-proclaimed demand for freedom rather than return to China's control.

Frank S. Lim, secretary, told the Associated Press that his countrymen want to appeal to the world for help. He said that like Korea, Formosa should be free and not given to China, Spain, Holland, Portugal or any other country which might have ruled the island during the last 300 years.

He said the February 28 "revolution" three years ago resulted from the killing of an old woman cigarette hawker by Chinese Nationalists. For a week the Chinese authorities were resisted until the movement was suppressed, he said.

Call for unity

The current proclamation calls on various independence groups with nearly half a million total membership to unite into one, Lim said, to further the movement by eliminating duplication. He said there are 3,000 members in Japan.

Dr. Thomas W. Liao, president of the League, arrived in Tokyo from Hong Kong two weeks ago and may make his permanent headquarters here. He was a chemical engineer in Formosa until the war [illegible]

London statement on airlines

London, February 27.

The British Government cannot and will not interfere with a Hong Kong Supreme Court decision handing over Chinese airline planes to the Communist Government of China, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

He confirmed that representations against the ruling had been made to Britain by the United States, which contends that the planes passed into the hands of an American company through purchase, but he added that the Court ruling in the Colony is something over which the British Government has no control.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, was receiving the American Minister in London, Mr. C. Holmes, this afternoon at his own request, adds Reuter.

Observers here expected Mr. Holmes to raise the question of the Hong Kong Supreme Court's decision to transfer to the Chinese People's Government 71 aircraft grounded in Hong Kong which were formerly the property of the Chinese Nationalists.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Chennault to appeal

General Claire L. Chennault, President of Civil Air Transport, has directed his solicitors to file an immediate appeal against the Hong Kong Supreme Court decision of last week, which gave ownership of 71 transport planes to the Chinese Communists.

An official of CAT said yesterday that he had instructed their solicitors, Wilkinson and Grist, to take the case to the Privy Council if necessary.

The appeal will go to two of three Supreme Court judges, Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, has already given his decision in the case.

The American Consul-General in Hong Kong, Mr. Karl Rankin, late last week formally presented the American State Department opinion on the case to Governor Sir Alexander Grantham.

None of the 71 planes at Kai Tak airfield is expected to be prepared to leave Hong Kong for another two weeks.

A legal authority said yesterday that an appeal to the Privy Council might take as long as two years before the case is heard.

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LABOUR PARTY MARGIN CUT BY THREE SEATS

London, February 27.

The Conservative Party strength in the new Parliament rose to 295 today when remote Argyll constituency reported the results of Thursday's general election balloting.

The Liberal Party won its ninth seat in the new 625-member House of Commons today when the Orkney and Shetlands island constituency reported the results of balloting.

Voting in the North West Scottish district was: Major D. McCallum (Conservative), 19,259; Mr. L. Nicholson (Labour), 9,215; Mrs. M. Holt (Scottish Nationalist) 490.

Mrs. Holt forefeited her deposit.

The Conservative majority was 10,014.

LATEST COUNT

London, February 27.

Labour's overall majority in the House of Commons was trimmed to seven today, with only one of the nation's 625 constituencies still to report.

Delayed returns from three remote districts of Scotland gave the Conservatives two and the Liberals one more victory this afternoon, cutting the Labour party's lead by three.—Associated Press.

The Shetlands result was: Mr. J. Grimond (Liberal), 9,237; Sir Basil H. Nevenspence (Conservative), 6,281; Mr. H. Leslie (Labour), 4,193. The majority was 2,956.

The seat was held in the old Parliament by the Conservatives.

This result, with Inverness still to report and a bye-election on March 9 in Manchester where the Candidate died during the campaign, left the standing at 3 p.m. GMT (11 p.m. HK time): Labour, 315; Conservatives, 295; Liberal, 9; Independent Liberal, 1; Irish Nationalists, 2, the Speaker, 1.

Cabinet meets

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, today summoned senior Cabinet ministers to discuss immediate strategy, following the Socialist Party's narrow general election victory, adds Reuter.

The reconstruction of the Cabinet and other Government posts was under consideration. Those called to Downing Street included the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, deputy prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, Viscount Addison, Lord Privy Seal, and Mr. Hector McNeil, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Attlee will see King George at Buckingham Palace tonight and will probably submit a list of his reconstructed Cabinet.

Mr. McNeil may become Britain's Colonial Secretary, it was learned from a usually reliable source today.

Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, the present Colonial Minister, was defeated in the general election and it is understood he will relinquish his office.—United Press and Reuter.

Chiang resuming Presidency tomorrow

Taipeh, February 27.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will resume Presidency of Nationalist China on March 1, according to a usually reliable source.

It is believed General Chen Cheng, former Governor of Taiwan, will succeed Marshal Yen Hsi-shan as Premier.

The Generalissimo is expected to make a statement to the nation tomorrow night announcing his resumption of Presidency.—Reuter.

Trial of Fuchs at the Old Bailey

London, February 27.

Dr. Klaus Fuchs, Britain's most brilliant theoretical physicist, goes on trial on Wednesday morning, charged with giving Russia atomic secrets involving the atom bomb and hydrogen bomb.

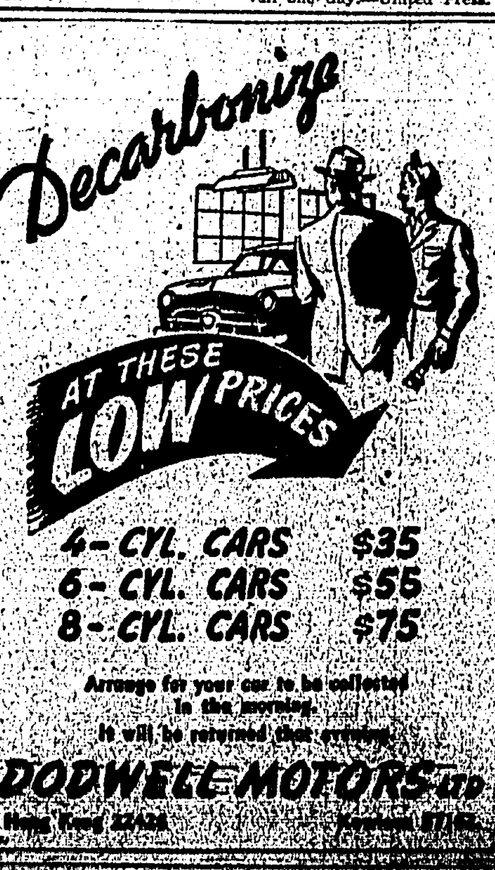
It was announced today that the trial of the 38-year-old German-born scientist will be held at the Old Bailey—the grim central criminal court building which stands on the site where criminals had been tried for almost 1,000 years.

Underlining the importance of the case the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Goddard, will preside personally.

Sir Hartley Shawcross, Attorney-General and famous for his prosecution at the Nuremberg war crimes trials, will prosecute.

Mr. Derek Curtis Benett, whose record for acquittals in criminal cases is unmatched in present day Britain, will appear for the defence.

Since Dr. Fuchs, according to the prosecution, has already confessed that he fed Russian agents American and British atomic secrets from 1942 to 1949 the trial is expected to take no more than two or three days. It may finish in one day.—United Press.



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REFUGEES IN MACAO.

Sir,—Will some kind reader please enlighten me as to why there should be so much hullaballoo over the recovery of loans (heretofore known as Relief) made to 700 unfortunate British refugees in Macao involving a mere $3,000,000 and of which Government expects to collect only $3 hundred thousand. Why not an enquiry into the ill-gotten gains of the many who remained in Hong Kong and were known to be collaborators but who have since become absorbed into the "respectable" millionaire citizenry of our Colony? Government action in the latter direction may reveal some pleasant financial surprises, —certainly more than the trifling 10 per cent of the total $3,000,000 loan.

"HOW-ABOUT-IT?

Sir,—Congratulations on your fine leading article last Friday, in which you pleaded that the loans to refugees in Macao during the war be cancelled.

There was one notable feature in the proceedings of the legislative Council last Wednesday on this subject. It was the careful avoidance of discussion on the aid granted freely to the large number of European British subjects who were evacuated to Australia and maintained there at Government expense throughout the war. Precious little also was said regarding the health trips after the war given to European British residents of this Colony.

It appears that Government servants who were credited with their salaries in full for the war years were debited to some extent for the aid they and their families received. But if the other European British subjects were not required to pay back to Government anything of the amounts spent on them—which amounts were eventually paid out of the Colony's funds—how can the Hong Kong Government justify its demand that the British subjects who took refuge in Macao must pay back all they can?

Many of the European British who have been let off scot free are in a far better position to pay than most of the local British subjects who have been billed. We do not grudge them their good fortune, but we expect to be treated likewise. Since they did not have to pay, why should we now have to pay? I consider the preferential treatment accorded to one section of the community unjust and indefensible.

The Government spokesman and your correspondents who have written in favour of Government have deemed it expedient to say nothing at all about this aspect of the matter.

As a taxpayer I would ask Government to come out into the open and publish figures showing the cost of all aid to British residents of this Colony in connection with (1) the Australia evacuation scheme, (2) Stanley internment camp, (3) refugees in Macao, and (4) the health trips for selected residents after the war. This request, I feel sure you will agree, is a reasonable one, and I do hope Government will not refuse it. The figures, if published, would be very eloquent indeed.

LITTLE MAN.

RADIO HONG KONG

Sir,—Despite what your correspondent "Sorrowful" had to say this morning I think we should take off our hats to much maligned Radio Hong Kong on the excellent coverage given to the General Election all day on Friday and in the small hours of Saturday morning; also for coming on the air again on Saturday at eight o'clock to give the final result.

I for one should like to say "Thank you" to Radio Hong Kong.

A. L. K.

Sir,—It is unfortunate that my letter criticising the programmes of Radio Hong Kong appeared—thanks to the Post Office—at the time when our local station was surpassing itself in its coverage of the general election in Britain.

I must agree with A. L. K. that the officials at Radio Hong Kong performed an excellent job in keeping the listening public informed of the latest trends in the voting and I, for one, listened until two a.m. on Friday morning when the Station extended its broadcasting hours to give us here in Hong Kong an up-to-the-minute knowledge of the state of affairs in Britain.

Radio Hong Kong's election coverage was magnificent and I join A.L.K. in offering Mr. Keirh Hardy, Bill Phillips and the others my congratulations.

"SORROWFUL"

ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE TROOPS

Sir,—It is, indeed, gratifying to see the way in which the civilian population here has rallied to the cause of entertainment for the troops sent here—not at their own bidding—to defend us in case of trouble. Among the organisations, which are deserving of praise in this connection, are Radio Hong Kong, Rediffusion, local British firms and the various women's groups whose time is devoted to making the lot of these lonely—and underpaid, by local standards—men a little easier to bear in this Colony.

But still more can be done to show our appreciation to these men and women. For instance, several men from the Services have spoken to me recently about the lack of newspapers in camps in the New Territories. Surely, local newspapers could devise means to get the morning issues to the soldiers out there in their camps.

As a former British journalist, I know that, in Britain, every effort would be made to provide the soldiers with the first copies off the press—even if a plane had to be chartered to do the job. And, in Hong Kong, I think that we owe a debt of gratitude to these lads sufficient to warrant their getting morning newspapers every morning. Loneliness is a terrible thing—and a newspaper or two in the canteen is one antidote against this feeling.

I admit that many difficulties exist in starting a distribution service in these camps. But I am certain that a concerted effort by all the local English-language publications would result in a solution to the various problems being solved.

Newspapers go to press quite early in the morning. What about purchasing—or hiring—a van to set out from the Star Ferry in Kowloon in the early hours so that news may be available to these men at breakfast time? All the newspapers could join in this expression of gratefulness to the troops and, I know without a doubt, that the gratitude of the troops would be heartfelt.

In addition to this gesture, I feel that the newspapers here could—as does the "Daily Mirror" in Britain—run special features for the troops. These lads are pretty "browned off." Anything to relieve the monotony of their existence in their tents and barrack buildings would be a fine gesture. We should be in a sorry mess without their presence—remember the Jap camps?—and we should do something to keep them happy and contented during their tour of duty in this part of the world.

I sincerely hope that you will publish this letter and if possible do something to carry out my suggestions—and the wishes of the men out there in the New Territories.

RALPH SHAW.

The "China Mail" and "Sunday Herald" have for some time been available to all units which request them at half price. It would be impracticable to furnish special delivery transport for the New Territories, and surely quite unnecessary in view of the large number of military vehicles available. News and features of particularly Service interest are printed whenever possible, and if greater co-operation were received from units, this newspaper would be glad to publish further items.—Editor.

SIR ROBERT MANSERGH'S THANKS

Sir,—Many people living in Hong Kong must have read with great satisfaction the recently published report on the activities of the Forces Civilian Entertainment and Welfare Committee.

As you are aware, most of the forces are serving in isolated camps in the New Territories and many are at sea for long periods. Therefore the splendid work that has been done by the many Sub-Committees, as well as by the Central Committee, has very considerably assisted in bringing additional and unexpected comfort to almost every unit of the Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force.

These many activities are too numerous to allow me to thank personally all those who are responsible; I would therefore like to take this opportunity of thanking through the medium of your newspaper, the Civilian Entertainment Committee and all those many voluntary helpers whose devoted work has made possible the numerous forms of entertainment that exist for the forces in the Colony at the present moment. I am all too aware that many of them may never receive the thanks that are due to them, but I would like to assure everyone, that whatever may be the method by which they entertain, their efforts are indeed appreciated and will not be forgotten.

The summer is not far off and I feel that all those who have already given so unstintingly of their time and hospitality and possibly others who would like to do so, should know that during the hot weather, even more than during the winter, every man appreciates any opportunity which may occur to leave his camp or ship or barracks and spend a few hours away from the rigidity of service discipline and routine. I therefore hope that no-one will feel that their ability to entertain the services is likely to be too limited to be of importance or will not be greatly appreciated. As the weather becomes more and more unpleasant the need increases. A quiet afternoon or evening in new surroundings is as much or more valued than special entertainment. Many of the officers and men serving with the forces in the New Territories, Kowloon and Hong Kong would enjoy nothing so much as the opportunity to visit friends in their homes and have a few hours within a family circle.

ROBERT MANSERGH, LIEUT.-GENERAL,
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PRELUDE

Sir,—Speak plainly; call a spade,
a spade. Thou canst not make
its beauty more;
But no'er was Beauty so dismayed
As when they called an oar an
Oar.
She died of shock: her nerves
were frail,
The victim of artistic zest.
Nine Muses round her coffin wail:
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CMSN MOVES TO COUNTER U.S. SINGAPORE ACTION AGAINST ss. HAI HSUAN

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

The China Merchants Steamship Navigation Company has directed its Singapore legal representative to take counter steps in a legal action brought by the United States Government on February 24 against its ship, ss. Hai Hsuan, now in Singapore Harbour.

The United States Consulate in Singapore claims that the Hai Hsuan is one of the 42 mortgaged ships which the State Department is reclaiming from the Nationalist Government.

The decision of the CMSN Hong Kong Office—the only overseas branch of the Communist-controlled shipping organisation—was disclosed to the "China Mail" last evening by Mr. Charles Kiang, official spokesman of the CMSN Hong Kong Office.

The CMSN will base its case on the recent decision of the Hong Kong Supreme Court in the dispute over the ownership of the China National Aviation Corporation and the Central Air Transport Corporation, two airlines which defected to the new regime late last year.

The Supreme Court ruled that the two state-owned airlines of the Chinese Government belong to the People's Government which is the recognised administrative body in China today.

Mr. Kiang, revealing that he had sent the "go-ahead" instruction to his Singapore representative over the week-end, added that the CMSN will contend in Court that the ss. Hai Hsuan was purchased from the American Government by the Nationalists. Both sides were represented respectively by the US Maritime Commission and the Chinese Supply Commission.

"It was a kind of Government transaction and obligation and has nothing to do with the companies operating the ships," the concurrent Director of General Affairs, CMSN Hong Kong Office, stated.

Under the existing circumstances, Mr. Kiang asserted that the United States should approach the People's Government direct and that it has no authority to apprehend the ss. Hai Hsuan.

"The mortgage issue is entirely between the State Department and the Nationalists," he declared.

He further stated that the Nationalist authorities made the contract and should be still held responsible.

"Sneak" attempt

Mr. Kiang recounted during an interview last evening how a group of five Europeans and eight Indian guards attempted to "sneak the Hai Hsuan out of Singapore Harbour on February 18 in broad daylight."

"The adamant refusal of the chief officer and personnel of the ship prevented the men from sailing the ship out," Mr. Kiang recalled. He received a report from his Singapore representative over the week-end.

An American and four Europeans, accompanied by eight hefty Sikh guards, boarded the Hai Hsuan at 4.30 p.m. that day and ordered the personnel to operate the engines.

One of the Europeans declared himself to be the new master and gave orders to his men to attend to the engine room.

The American claimed to be responsible for the ship's cargo—8,500 tons of salt loaded at a Spanish port for Japan.

The American claimed to have come from Washington.

"Despite their threatening attitude the Chinese crew refused to do anything," Mr. Kiang said.

Two hours later the group left the ship after their futile attempt. The American apologised to the chief officer who is in charge of the Hai Hsuan, before disembarking.

Mr. Kiang declared that he has advised his representative not to take any criminal action against the men yet but to defer the case.

"We have notified the Singapore Police. If possible, police guards may be put aboard to prevent such incidents," he added.

Mr. Kiang also disclosed that two CMSN officials will be leaving the Colony in the near future for Singapore to take over the Hai Hsuan.

"The port engineer and former master of the Hai Hsia (now being used as a floating godown) are awaiting entry permits from the Singapore authorities. The master mariner will take over the command of the Hai Hsuan and the port engineer will supervise the operation of the ship, preparatory to her resumption on her former Straits-Indian Ocean service," he said.

The transhipment of the cargo of salt will be arranged by these two officials, he added.

The Hai Hsuan arrived at Singapore on January 24 from Aden. She hoisted the Five Star on the following day. She is the only CMSN ship in Straits waters now.

Robber sentenced to eight-year term

Convicted of robbery with aggravation at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, a prisoner, when asked what he had to say before sentence was passed, replied in a tearful tone that even if he applied for leniency he would not expect to get it.

Tsui Yau, alias Chan Yau, who is at present serving a six-month term imposed last month for breach of a deportation order, was given a consecutive sentence of eight years' hard labour and eight strokes.

An all-men jury found Tsui guilty by a majority of five to two after a 10-minute deliberation.

The robbery in question took place on the night of November 16 last at a small house in Sheung Shui, New Territories, where a man, his wife and two other women lived.

The man and the other occupants were engaging a visitor in conversation, when two men entered the house, saying they had come for the registration of persons.

Presently a third man came in, masked with a black cloth, and pulled out a gun. The rest followed suit. The three bandits then proceeded to ransack their victims, taking from them in all $14,300, a wallet, two gold bracelets, one gold bangle, eight gold finger rings, and a further $300.

Opened fire

After the robbers had left, the police were informed of the incident. Upon investigating the vicinity of the No. 44 Railway Bridge shortly after, the police challenged three men who were seen there, and opened fire on them when they failed to halt. The men escaped, but left behind some articles of clothing, one of which had some money inside a pocket. A loaded revolver was also discovered in the vicinity.

On January 6, the accused was arrested near Sheung Shui, and eventually identified by the man complainant's wife as being one of the muggers of the gang.

After corroborative evidence by prosecution witnesses, the accused in defence denied having taken part in the robbery. He alleged that he had made certain statements under duress by the police.

After the verdict had been returned, Tsui was asked by Sir Leslie Clipson, Chief Justice, as to what he had to say before sentence was imposed. Tsui still protested his innocence, whereupon Sir Leslie put his previous question once more in regard to the sentence.

Tsui, who has also a previous conviction of possession of arms, replied that even if he applied for leniency, he would not expect to get it.

Personalia

Week-end departures from the Peninsula Hotel included Mrs. D. G. M. Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Magnuson, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Watson, Mrs. J. R. Laughlin, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Isbrandtsen, the Rev. Fr. A. Bertiard, the Rev. Mr. A. Dubus, Messrs. H. E. Houghton, H. Sambuc, L. Malacent, L. T. McDonald, F. Anderson, and P. R. Wareing.

Among the new week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel were Captain and Mrs. C. L. Coupland, Mrs. Iris E. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Recto, Mrs E. Z. Moreno, Mrs. C. Z. Moreno, Mrs. P. A. De Tudson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Abbas, Messrs. P. F. Le Fevre, P. Green, E. Lopez, R. P. Mitra, M. Gana, A. De Santos, L. Abiaza, S. Luzayn, C. C. Vines, W. D. Carroll, T.M.T. Moore, S. Cahn, R. W. Heavey, and A. S. Gord.

Arrivals from Singapore and Bangkok by CPA during the week-end included Mrs. O. Erlon, Mr. and Mrs. T. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. R. West, Mrs. Fung Kin-chung, Messrs. J. Keighley, G. H. Hanka, F. Pickello, J. Boulward, H. H. Harvey, K. H. Meyers, J. G. Cooper, F. A. Simpson, A. Rafferty, K. R. Wade, A. F. Shields, J. G. Torrens, C. H. Goroux, J. W. Jones, J. J. Sippel, C. G. Kelly, G. W. Wens, and C. Delderfield.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Commissioner-General for South East Asia, is due here from Singapore today on one of his periodical visits to the Colony for consultations on the current situation with the Governor and others in Hong Kong. He will return to Singapore on Thursday.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo will present the prizes at the conclusion of the Queen's College Annual Sports Meet on Saturday. Mr. Lo is the President of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association.

Messrs. Howard E. Nelson, De Borodewsky, and J. Leung Kao-koel left Hong Kong for Saigon yesterday by Air France.

Members of the Philippine Soccer Team returned to Manila by Philippine Airlines yesterday. Consisting of 16 players the team was led by Mr. Dionisio Calvo, the team's coach.

A group of American representatives from General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters in Tokyo and the U.S. Army, headed by Mr. Robert West, U.S. Under-Secretary of the Army, left for Japan by Pan American World Airways yesterday.

Four members of the Philippines and Hong Kong Import and Export Association left for Manila by Philippine Airlines yesterday.

They are: Mr. Joseph K. Chi; Mr. Leung Lum-seng; Mr. Yong Sui-loung; Mr. Yong Kit-ching.

The businessmen are going to Manila to attend the 5th convention of the International Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Coates leaves for Manila JCC meeting

Mr. Austin Coates, Assistant Colonial Secretary, left for Manila yesterday to attend the International Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting there.

Leaving earlier in the day were two other members of the Hong Kong Junior Chamber of Commerce. They are Mr. Bernard Croft of the China Advertising Company and Mr. E. U. Lyon of the Kwong Yu Manufacturing Company.

As the local JCC has not yet been formally established, the local participators are going to the JJCC meeting as observers.

According to Mr. Croft, they are merely attending the meeting to study the functions of the JJCC.

Mr. Croft said that local JCC will be officially formed after the JJCC meeting.

WEDDING

The wedding of Stuart Harrison Hicks, airline pilot, of Hotel Miramar, and Miss Gloria Eileen Mary Pritchard, Civil Air Transport secretary, took place at the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday in the presence of Miss Rena Brown and Robert L. Dolvers.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The forthcoming wedding has been announced of Edward Paul Court, assistant editor of the Far Eastern Economic Review, and Miss Dolores Alice Owen Burbidge, of 20 Bowen Road, and Sergeant

Committal proceedings in forged U.S.$ notes case

Committal proceedings against two brothers and their cousin charged with the possession of U.S.$638,950 in counterfeit U.S.$100 and U.S.$50 notes began before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

The forged banknotes, purporting to be those of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, were seized by the police last November. The forged notes, 6,404 in all, were in $100 denomination with the exception of 29 which were of $50.

The men, who share four charges, are Tam Kuen, alias Tam Sheung, aged 45, described as a gold and silver broker, of 722 Nathan Road, first floor, Tam Choi-wo, aged 45, haberdashery broker; and Tam Chi-ping, aged 35, of 223 Jaffe Road, second floor. First and third defendants are brothers and the second defendant is their cousin.

All defendants are charged with the possession of 105 forged U.S.$100 banknotes at Kai Tak Airport on November 22. First and second defendants face two more charges of possession of 3,500 U.S.$100 forged notes at 722 Nathan Road, second floor, and 2,770 in $100's and 29 in $50's at 223 Jaffe Road, second floor.

An additional charge of possession of three brass plates bearing devices peculiar to and used in the banknotes of the Bank of England is preferred against the first defendant.

Two other men, Chan Yat-sang, unemployed, and Wong Kwong-ghiu, alias Wong Kim-kwong, partner of the Lee Tat Garage, 140 Lockhart Road, charged with the defendants, were dismissed when the prosecution withdrew a charge of possession of counterfeit notes against them.

Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. J. C. Stewart, is representing the first defendant, while Mr. V. J. L. D'Alton, also instructed by Mr. Stewart, is representing the second and third defendants.

Mr. T. Cashman, Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence, Kowloon, is conducting the prosecution's case.

Kai Tak seizure

Opening the prosecution's case, Mr. Cashman said that on the morning of November 11 last, acting on information, he went with a party of police to Kai Tak Airport where he saw first and second defendants who were about to take a plane for Saigon. He asked them to claim their baggage and brought them back to the Kowloon Police Station where a suitcase belonging to the second defendant was opened. In a false bottom of the suitcase were found 105 counterfeit notes.

On the same day in a flat occupied by third defendant in Jaffe Road 2,770 counterfeit notes in $100's and 29 in $50's were found.

First defendant then took the police to the roof of 76 Keelung Street where a number of steel engraving plates were found. On November 25 three brass plates were found in a trunk in first defendant's home.

On December 14 a foreign currency expert from the National City Bank of New York was called by the police to examine the banknotes which he found to be counterfeit.

Mr. Mak Chau-lun, of the National City Bank of New York, an expert in foreign currencies, said the notes were good imitations of those of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and that it required a magnifying glass, good eyesight and an expert knowledge to be able to tell them from the genuine notes.

The fibres

One of the main differences in the forged notes, he said, were the blue and red fibres, which in the counterfeit were painted on whereas in the genuine ones they were manufactured into the paper. Other differences in the counterfeits were the green colour which was a shade too dark and the portrait appeared dull.

Sub-Inspector Koh Ah-chong, finger print expert of the Identification Bureau, said that he took two bottles containing liquids from first defendant's flat on November 26 and took several prints only one of which was of any value for identification purposes and filed it for future reference. On December 10 he took first defendant's finger prints and found that the print of his right hand small finger corresponded with the one he had filed away.

Corroborative evidence was given by Detective Lau Fuk, Inspector C. Pope, Detective Iu Mok.

Material evidence, estimated to be more than a ton in weight, was displayed in court. There were a baby's cot, tables, bedside cupboard, reams of plain white paper, cylinder printing presses, brass and steel engraving plates, inks and paints, chemicals, glass plates and photographic equipment.

Tam Kuen, first defendant, on December 29, on charge of possession of gold was fined $5,000 after several applications made by his counsel for the return of the gold seized during the raid. The gold was ordered to be returned to him after the fine was paid.

Hearing continues this morning.

Navy man writes play about HK

An original play about Hong Kong, written by Commander W. S. Donald, RN (retired), was staged for the first time at Bridlington recently. It was very favourably received.

Commander Donald is the younger son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel W. N. Donald, of Carlisle. He served in the Colony for some time, and came to love this place. He wrote his play because he thinks that Hong Kong has been shabbily overlooked in play and story.

The play, called "Hong Kong Cocktail," was produced by the Viking Players at the Grand Pavilion Theatre. According to one critic, it was admirably presented. It was produced by Mr. Brian Rix. The Viking Players have done repertory work at Bridlington for a number of years.

A critic said although this is Commander Donald's first play, he has shown considerable talent in creating situations, and in the easy flow of the dialogue. The interest is sustained right up to the final curtain, and there is abundance of humour and considerable wit.

The play deals with some members of the Royal Navy in Hong Kong. The author has drawn extensively from his knowledge of Hong Kong conditions when he was stationed here in 1948.

There are several interesting characters, including Sir George and Lady Tyepanne (the surname is significant from Eastern standards).

The incidents, despite their humour, are true to life. The author has painted an authentic picture of Hong Kong peculiarities.

Sailor fined for assault

Edward Coomber, aged 20, of HMS Comus, was charged before Mr. Thomas Tam yesterday with assaulting Tang Siu-kau, aged 34, at No. 5 Luard Road on Saturday evening.

Coomber pleaded guilty but added that he struck Tang in self-defence. He said that on Saturday evening he had met a friend from England and they had a few drinks together. While they were walking along Luard Road his friend fell down and, as he went to help him, someone threw stones, several of which struck him on the head.

The defendant continued that he saw Tang approaching with a large brick in his hand and so he struck Tang on the mouth, who then fell to the ground.

Coomber was fined $25 and ordered to pay $25 compensation to the complainant.

Inspector Wheeler said the complainant was not in Court because his injuries had caused him to take to his bed.

In connection with the case Thomas Donald Brown, aged 20, also of HMS Comus, was charged with breaking a window pane at No. 5 Luard Road.

He pleaded not guilty, saying that he was walking with Coomber and two others when they were attacked.

As no one actually saw him breaking the pane of glass, he was given the benefit of the doubt and discharged by Mr. Tam.

Mr. Tam told both Coomber and Brown that they must keep away from law-abiding citizens. He added that he sympathised with them as they were cooped up on their ship and could only come ashore occasionally for a drink. He advised them to keep to their clubs.

Mr. Tam then spoke to the two folks of No 5 Luard Road who were in Court, saying that they should tolerate these young men who were so far away from their homes in England. They were not bad at heart and it was possibly because of the language difficulty that so much misunderstanding arose.

Canadian seamen miss their ship

Three seamen of the Canadian steamer Dingwall left their ship last Saturday morning on shore leave for a brief sight-seeing tour of Hong Kong.

Some 10 hours later they returned to Kowloon Wharf, but there was no ship. That shock was the beginning of a series of events—36 hours in police custody, charged and cautioned by a Marine Court magistrate and now in the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute awaiting repatriation.

The men—Albert Levallee, Raymond Hamelin and Lawrence Giberson—were charged before Mr. D. G. Cairns at the Marine Court yesterday for wilfully or negligently remaining in the Colony after the departure of their ship on February 25.

The story of their misadventure was told to the Court when defendants gave evidence after pleading not guilty to the charge. But all three changed their plea after it was explained that they were negligent in not making enquiries about the exact time of sailing.

Sub-Inspector Mackenzie said that the defendants gave themselves up at 8 p.m. at the Marine Police Station on February 25 informing that they had missed their ship. It was found later that the Dingwall left port at 4.30 p.m. that day. The men left the ship on normal shore leave.

No notice posted

Lawrence Giberson, 36-year-old Able Seamen of the Dingwall, told the Court that he left the ship at 9 a.m. that day on shore leave. There was no notice posted to notify the crew about the departure time of the ship nor the expiration of leave.

Giberson asserted that the chief officer saw "several of us." He declared that he was not told about having to return by a certain time.

Defendant added that he knew the ship was due to leave port that day before he disembarked.

His colleagues collaborated his evidence. Hamelin said that he left the ship at 10 a.m. and did not see any notice put up to state that the personnel on shore leave must be aboard by a certain time.

Mr. Cairns pointed out that defendants were negligent in not making enquiries properly before leaving the ship. He cautioned them on the charge.

An official of Loxley and Company, agents for the Dingwall, declared the agents would look after the men until their repatriation. Accommodation would be found for them in the Sailors' and Seamen's Institute.

Reminders

Today

Urban Council meeting GPO Bldg., 4.15 p.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, Dancing Class: 2.30 p.m. Whist Drive (Cash Prizes) 8 p.m.

European YMCA, Bridge Drive, West Lounge, 8 p.m.

HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Sino-British Music Group Concert for Schools at St. Stephen's Girls College, 5.30 p.m.

HK Singers Concert at St. John's Cathedral hall, 8.45 p.m.

HK Football Referees Monthly meeting, 8.30 p.m.

Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Toc H meeting, 50 Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

European YMCA Debating and Discussion Group, 8.45 p.m.

British Council sponsored lecture on "Parliament and Executive Government" by Mr. Robert Bruce, Council Library, 5.30 p.m.

European YMCA, Women's Section, Whist Drive, 10 a.m.

Welsh bi-lingual service, commemorating St. David's Day, St. Andrew's Church, 11 a.m.

THURSDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

HK Women's International Club, dance for Services, 7.30 p.m.

British Council weekly film show, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Tug Ocean Pride runs aground at Subic Bay

Manila, February 27.

The ocean-going electric tug, Ocean Pride of Hong Kong, ran aground on a reef off the entrance of Subic Bay this afternoon.

She was pulled off by United States Navy ships from Olongapo naval base which answered a distress call from the tug.

First reports of the SOS signal asking for "immediate assistance" caused rescue organisations to shift into high gear as the tug was unknown here and it was presumed that the ship in distress was either a passenger or cargo vessel.

Second Rescue Squadron planes from the 13th Air Force at Clark Field flew to the scene and reported that Navy ships already on the scene had pulled the tug away from the reef.

Mr. A.S. Trippe, of Henderson-Trippe Inc., agents, said the Ocean Pride was en route to Manila to tow the S.S. Falvern to Hong Kong. Trippe said the Ocean Pride is Chinese-owned in Hong Kong.

The extent of damage caused by the grounding was unknown, Mr. Trippe said.—Associated Press.

Further drop in value of Jenminpiao

Chinese Press reports from Canton yesterday stated that the Jenminpiao has again dropped in value in Canton.

On February 25 it was quoted unofficially at JM$12,000 to one Hong Kong dollar. On the eve of the Lunar New Year it was $10,000 to HK$1. But after the Communist authorities had taken strong measures to curb the depreciation, the People's Dollar reverted temporarily to $4,500 to HK$1 on the black market.

Now it has again fallen sharply, and commodity prices have risen correspondingly.

Other reports state that the People's Government has placed an order for 50,000 piculs of cotton from the United States through a Hong Kong trading company, making the total ordered abroad since December, 200,000 piculs, mostly from Pakistan, which is in the sterling area.

Large quantities of fertilisers are said to have been shipped to Hong Kong for marketing—10,000 tons through Russian sources and 3,000 tons from the United States. More shipments are expected from North Korea.

More cargoes are going from Hong Kong to Burma, because of the increased import quota for the Colony, the lower shipping charges and reduction of insurance rates.

Exporters complaining

Canton exporters are said to be complaining about the requirement to pay a deposit of $30 in Hong Kong currency for any cargo exported to Hong Kong, and about the many other levies imposed by the Canton authorities.

The rest of the value of the cargo has to surrendered to a bank designated by the Government, after which the exporter can claim the equivalent in Jenminpiao at the official rate of the day.

It is alleged that there are seven kinds of impost on shipment of live pigs or fowl from Wuchow to Hong Kong.

The vernacular "Sing Tao Jih Pao" reported yesterday that exports of Chinese products from the interior of China to Hong Kong have decreased owing to trade restrictions imposed by the Chinese Communists.

The newspaper published the following list of all Chinese products imported here between February 20 and 25:

Feathers (Tientsin and Taiwan origin): 400 bales; Cow Hides (Canton origin): 154 bales; Tung Oil (Tientsin and Tsingtao origin): 1,829 drums; Peppermint Oil (Taiwan origin): nine drums; Tea (Taiwan origin): 1,264 cases; Teaseed Oil (Macao origin): 124 drums; Aniseed Oil (Tsingtao origin): 1,829 drums; Peppermint Oil (Taiwan origin): nine drums; Cassia Lignea (Macao origin): 216 packages; Rattle (Macao and Tsingtao origin): 2,092 bales; Bristles (Tsingtao origin): 40 cases.

The Buddhist temple on Lantao Island

Hong Kong harbours within its borders two famous temples dedicated to the cults of Taoism and Buddhism.

These two temples continue to flourish under British protection while many of their counterparts in China have been reduced by the Chinese civil war.

Of the two, the Buddhist temple on Lantao Island is the more remarkable. The Taoist temple at Castle Peak is also significant historically, but the approach to it is not as lovely as the approach to the Lantao Island worshipping place.

Situated on a plateau overlooking the entrance to Hong Kong harbour, the Lantao temple is inhabited by slightly more than 100 monks. It is beautifully designed, with a central building and a series of minor structures.

The monks do rural work during the day, such as planting and farming, and engage in prayers and indoor work in the evening before retiring. Their ages range from 24 to 80. Many of them are refugee monks from North China, and the Peking dialect is very evident.

Attired in their flowing black habits, they lead serenely calm lives. Their horizons are limited, but they give no indication of being constrained. They are mostly affable, despite an inclination to philosophise, after the fashion of most Buddhists.

They sleep in dormitories which have been stripped of almost every attribute of comfort, but are impeccably clean. They do not even have spring beds, but must do with planks.

Their food is plain, and they take no meat. A variety of taste is provided by a series of sauces, in which a large proportion of sugar is used.

Many visitors

The monks are anxious to receive guests, and have reserved a separate section of their establishment for the entertainment of visitors. Guests are given identical food, but their sleeping quarters are not as bare as those provided for lay monks.

The Chief Abbot speaks a little English and is a pleasant man; not too worldly perhaps, but quiet, retentive, kind.

The temple is approached best from Taiho, a port on Lantao Island. It can only be reached by a four-hour tramp up the 3,000 feet hill. Standing on a plateau surrounded by wooded scenery, it commands a lovely panoramic view of the whole Hong Kong landscape, the inland sea, and 10 small islands.

A visit to it can be arranged by letter, as accommodation must be reserved.

Within its walls, soft incense and low Buddhist murmurs take one completely awdy from the modern world of Hong Kong.

Hundreds of foreigners and Chinese visit it, yearly, and it is a Mecca for devout Buddhists.

Many people go there to hunt and fish, or to meditate. The temple encourages quiet thinking, and the island of Lantao itself is celebrated for its deer, wild boar and big fishing possibilities. Along Silver Mine Bay, where the ferry from Yaumati berths, there is a stretch of magnificent beach.

The monks in the temple are very devout, and their conversation seems to be voluntarily limited to expounding Buddhism. They do not take the oath of chastity, but there is no indication that they are anxious to lead anything but celibate lives.

The pattern of their existence is profoundly simple. They get up in the morning and pray. After prayers they eat a very plain meal, and separate to do their various chores. An admirable spirit of brotherhood prevails, and they always help one another in the things they do.

Large number of duties

Healthy and virile because of the clean atmosphere and the unpretentious manner of their existence, the monks perform an astonishingly large number of duties in the course of their daily routine. Still they find time to talk to strangers, and are not monastic after the fashion of Renaissance clergy.

Often they seek out interesting visitors and talk for hours with them. They are always anxious for information out of China, and are nostalgic when affairs in the North happen to occur in the course of conversation.

Because of the years of protection and freedom under British rule, these monks have no reservation in their attitude towards foreigners, who are welcome to come and go as they please.

The Chief Abbot is a handsome man in his middle fifties. Distinguished and charming, he has a way of putting all his visitors at ease a few hours after their arrival. A few deft words, a mild inquiry about the pleasantness of their trip down, and they are dismissed to their separate dormitories.

Later on at mealtimes he will meet them again, and the conversation will touch on conditions in Hong Kong, the situation in China, and the interest the visitors may, or may not have, in Buddhism.

Replicas of Guatama Buddha abound, and inscriptions carved on the walls and columns proclaim the venerable antiquity of the site. The impression is conveyed of uninterrupted centuries of Buddhism, which will go on and on.

Before the first tints of dawn appear in the Eastern sky, the monks will be up and about. Their soft, soothing chants will dwindle to a murmur in the gathering twilight. As night descends, silence will envelop the plateau, and will remain unbroken until tomorrow brings a repetition of the eternal story.

Quietly, unobtrusively the monks on Lantao carry on. They seek no plaudits for their work. All they seem to desire is unbroken continuity, because that is the nature of Buddhism.

Counsel says witness is kept away

In a final submission made before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday, Mr. M. A. da Silva, defence counsel for Ho Wai-lam, alias William Ho, charged with the theft of 130 bags of Government rice, challenged the credibility of the evidence given by prosecution witnesses.

Mr. da Silva accused the prosecution of keeping away a witness whom defence intended to call to testify on the movement of Ho on the afternoon of September 23 last, when the rice was alleged to have been taken out of godown 38B of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company in Jordan Road.

Defence counsel contended that at the time of the alleged theft defendant was shopping in a store in the King's Theatre Building and did not reach the Kowloon side until shortly after 4 p.m. A subpoena was taken out for the clerk who attended Ho at the shop to give evidence.

Out of Colony

Accusing prosecution of deliberately keeping the clerk out of the Colony, Mr. da Silva said that unless he could be produced and called to give evidence, the Court must believe the alibi in favour of his client.

Other defendants in the case are Ho Tin-sing, tally clerk at the Rice Section, and son of Ho Wai-lam, who had already pleaded guilty to charge of stealing the rice; Cheung Lun, cook at the Hip Yick Rice Depot; and Cheung Kwan, foki at the Depot.

Ho Wai-lam was former cargo supervisor of the Department of Supplies and Distribution, Rice Section.

Mr. A. S. C. Comber is representing Ho Tin-sing, while Mr. J. C. Stewart is representing Cheung Lun and Cheung Kwan.

The case is adjourned to March 13.

EDINBURGH HOUSE

Certain particulars in the article on Edinburgh House in yesterday's "China Mail" were incorrectly given. Messrs. Leigh and Orange were the architects for the building, and the general contractors were Messrs. Zung Kee & Co.

Other specialist contractors for the building were Jardine Engineering Corporation, Castle Peak Ceramic Company, Dodwell and Company Ltd., Sino-British Engineering Corporation and the Jackson Company, Ltd.

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The HONG KONG UNIVERSITY 38th CONGREGATION—Wednesday, March 1, 1950, at 3 p.m.

It is hereby notified that in connection with the above ceremony, the following traffic arrangements have been made.

1. TRAFFIC DIVERSION

(1) The undermentioned roads will be closed to commercial vehicles (lorries and vans) between 2 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. Westwards:—Upper Albert Road from Garden Road, Caine Road, Bonham Road and Pokfulam Road to Mt. Davis Road, junction, and Eastwards:—Pokfulam Road from Mt. Davis Road junction to Bonham Road junction.

(2) Drivers of cars, not proceeding to the University, are requested to use the alternative route Mt. Davis, Des Voeux Road, Queen's Road.

2. CLOSED ROADS

(a) Pokfulam Road between the University and the Duncan Sloss School of Engineering and Agriculture will be closed to Traffic for a short period during the Congregational Procession.

(b) Hill Road closed from 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and reserved for parking only.

3. CAR PARKS

(a) Flag cars—Pokfulam Road in front of the Duncan Sloss School.

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COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

February 27, 1950.

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Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 2nd March, 1950.

By Order.
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

Chinese charged with attempted murder

A man who received 11 serious chopper wounds on the head which laid him up unconscious for 14 days in hospital, lived to testify against his alleged assailant at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Standing trial for attempted murder is 28-year-old Cheong Li-ki, who is alleged to have attacked Cheong Ki-wun.

The accused, who is being tried before Mr. Justice Williams, Senior Puisne Judge, and by a jury of six men and a woman, is not legally represented.

Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector A. Cochrane, is prosecuting.

Cheong was also indicted on an alternative charge of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

The alleged attack took place near Pokfulam in a small hut on December 5 last, where the complainant was at the time.

According to the prosecution, the complainant saw the accused enter his hut with a hoe in his right hand and a chopper in his left. The intruder, who lived in a nearby hut, then attacked him first with the hoe, striking him in the side.

The accused, it is alleged, then threw the hoe away and swung the chopper at the complainant's head with some ferocity. The latter lost consciousness.

Mr. Hooton told the jury that there was no doubt the attack was a very savage one, because the 11 injuries received by the complainant were on both sides of the head, one side being sharp, cutting blows and the other being bludgeoning ones. It was very fortunate that the complainant did not die.

There was no eye-witness to the attack, but a man passing by heard cries of help coming from the hut in question, and saw the accused standing within with the chopper in his hand and the bleeding man on the floor.

Police arrive

The matter was reported to the police, and when they arrived they found that the complainant had managed to wriggle some distance from the hut, where he completely lost consciousness. He was immediately taken to the hospital.

The accused was arrested the next day at Ta Ku Ling Village, Kowloon. At the police station, it was discovered that he was trying with the help of a note to get someone to retrieve a jacket which he had left at the scene of the incident on the day previous.

The chopper was eventually found some way from the hut in question among some vegetables.

Referring to a certain statement alleged to have been made by the accused to the magistrate during committal proceedings, Mr. Hooton disclosed that the accused, in his statement, said he did the act for reasons of revenge.

The reason on which the accused based his revenge as laid out in the statement is that the complainant had murdered three members of his family in China some time ago, thus causing him great injury, and that he had come to get his revenge in Hong Kong.

Mr. Hooton went on to say that the accused had further stated that the complainant was the one who had attacked him with the chopper, and that it was lucky he was not asleep. During the resulting scuffle, he seized the chopper from the complainant and hit him with it, he alleged.

The complainant on the other hand maintains he was the one that was attacked, Crown Counsel asserted. It does not matter whether or not the facts on which the accused based his revenge is true, he declared, nor does it matter who brought the chopper along in the first place.

The point was that if the accused managed to get hold of the chopper during a fight with the complainant, he was not entitled to strike the defenceless man with the chopper.

If he deliberately did that, then, in the submission of the Crown, he is guilty.

Corroborative evidence was then given by the complainant who described the manner in which he was attacked, and by Dr. Geoerge Choa who testified as to the nature of the wounds received by the complainant.

The trial continues at 10 o'clock this morning.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 20th March, 1950, at NOON to receive the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949, to confirm the appointment of two Directors, to elect Directors, and to appoint Auditors.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 6th March, 1950, to MONDAY, 20th March, 1950, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Hong Kong February 24, 1950.

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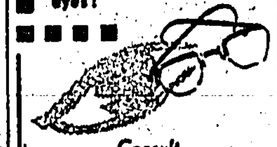

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	S K 7 H A K Q 5 2 D 4 C J 9 6 4 2	
S Q J 10 8 2 H 10 D K J 10 C K 10 7 5		S 9 6 5 3 H J 4 3 D 8 7 6 5 3 C 3
	S A 4 H 9 8 7 6 D A Q 9 2 C A Q 8	

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable).

North	East	South	West
1 H	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 C	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 D	Pass	5 NT	Pass
6 H	Pass	6 NT	

When South learned that his partner had two kings, from his response to the Blackwood 5-No Trumps, he decided to put the slam into No Trumps instead of the safer hearts. That would have been unpardonable at rubber bridge, but this was match-point duplicate, and the No Trump slam could outscore the heart slam of other players.

West opened the spade Q and South counted up tricks quickly. "What a cinch," he thought, as he noted five easy tricks in hearts, four in clubs even if the finesse lost, two in spades and one in diamonds without even finessing. So he promptly played the K on the spade lead, without further study. Now just see what that did to him. After three top hearts, and not until then, he discovered the suit was blocked and dead. Next he finessed the club J, then the Q, which West took. Now the clubs were blocked too. So all he could score included four tricks in hearts, two each in the black suits and one in diamonds, and was down three.

If he had analyzed the various suits, he should have taken the first trick in his own hand, scored the heart tops and the 9, next the club A, followed by leading the club Q. It would have made no difference whether West used the K then or later. That would have assured five tricks in hearts, four in clubs, two in spades and one in diamonds to make his contract.

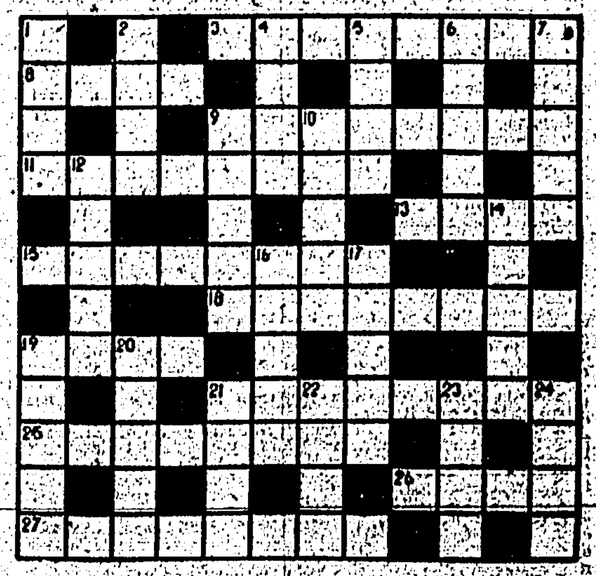
Tomorrow's Problem

	S A K J 10 H K J 10 8 3 2 D 3 C J 9	
S 9 7 6 5 H A 9 5 4 D Q C 8 7 6 2	N W E S	S 8 4 3 2 H Q 7 6 D K J 10 9 4 C Q
	S Q H None D A 8 7 6 5 2 C A K 10 6 4 3	

(Dealer: South. North-South vulnerable).

If natural bidding is done by North and South, what should West lead against 6-Clubs?

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Across

3 Building. 8 Actually existing. 9 Trustworthy. 11 Exhaustive. 13 Retain. 15 Mended. 16 Continuance. 19 Funeral pile. 21 Chosen. 25 Tolled. 26 Bondman. 27 Perceives.

Down

1 Poke. 2 Crazy. 4 Dance. 5 Domestic. 6 Fur. 7 Precipitous. 8 Inflexible. 10 Bar. 12 Adversary. 14 Call up. 16 Governor. 17 Ventured. 19 Lost colour. 20 Garments. 21 Certain. 22 Spard. 23 Rank. 24 Challenge.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Combat. 4 Caper. 7 Absolute. 8 Waste. 9 Submit. 11 Endorse. 13 Corrode. 15 Recede. 18 Spend. 19 Enormous. 20 Model. 21 Settle.

DOWN—1 Clan. 2 Bloom. 3 Trusted. 4 Chewed. 5 Preserve. 6 Sphere. 10 Burdened. 12 Nervous. 14 Custom. 16 Order. 17 Comet. 17 Issue.

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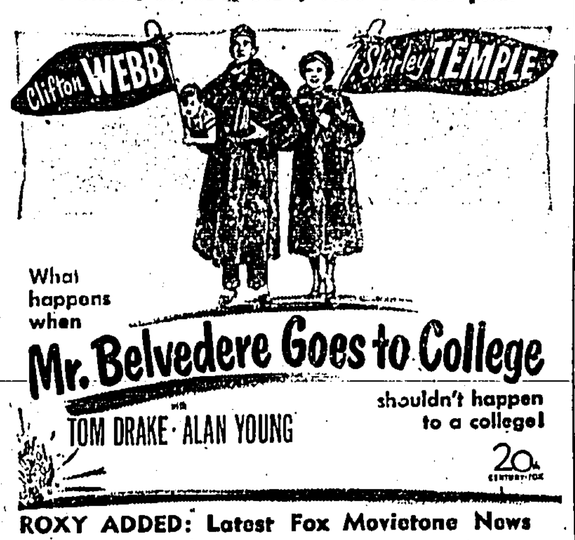

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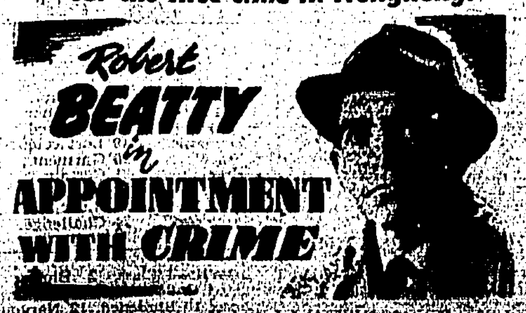

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AMERICA LOSING THE PEACE IN PACIFIC

New York, February 27.

Hanson W. Baldwin, military editor of the "New York Times," said the United States is losing the peace in the Pacific because, in its political immaturity, it fought the war against Japan with the sole purpose of achieving victory.

Writing in the February issue of the "Atlantic Monthly", Mr. Baldwin also charged that American leaders, particularly General MacArthur, made blunders both before and during the Pacific War that are still haunting the U.S.

He questioned the decision to use the atom bomb against Japan from both a moral an military istandpoint. The defeat of Japan was assured without it, he said, and added, "By using the bomb, we have become identified, rightly or wrongly, as inheritors of the mantle of Genghis Khan an all those of past history who have justified the use of utter ruthlessness in war."

Mr. Baldwin said the U.S. desire for victory at any price, together with poor evaluation of the intelligence available regarding Japan's military deterioration, led it to pay a high price in bargaining for Russia's entry into the conflict at a time victory was assured.

Mr. Baldwin found fault with American leadership on practically all levels, but he levelled his strongest blasts against General MacArthur who, he said, created around himself the legend of a military demi-god, and was the focal point of many of the U.S. blunders in the Pacific.

Mr. Baldwin wrote, "The defence of the Philippines was an epic of stout hearted suffering, but it was marred by differences, frictions, and discords—and high-level errors—which influenced the course of the war in the Pacific."

The first Philippines campaign produced friction between the Army and Navy that led to bitterness between those two services. The ill feeling between General MacArthur and Admiral Thomas C. Hart, commander of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet, was passed down to subordinates and before long prevaded both commands.

Over-optimism

Mr. Baldwin charged that American leadership's underestimation of Japanese strength before and at the start of the war rivalled its over-estimation of Japanese military might in the closing months. Even as late as the Autumn of 1941, Army and Air Force officers in Washington were talking in terms of an air offensive against Japan, based on the Philippines, should war come.

Mr. Baldwin declared this mistaken confidence in the defensibility of the Philippines was in large part due to MacArthur, whose pre-war estimates of his ability to defend the Philippines were wildly over-optimistic."

Mr. Baldwin continued: "But the most amazing and the least understandable of MacArthur's Philippine actions was his tacit approval of a proposal by President of War Stimson, 'receive immediate and unconditional independence from the U.S., and that they forthwith be neutralised by agreement between Japan and the U.S.; all troops were to be withdrawn and the Philippine Army disbanded'...he failed to understand the terrible damage that would have been done, not only to his own reputation, but above all to American arms and the American purpose, by the public broaching of such a suggestion...Fortunately, wiser heads in Washington emphatically rejected this suggestion."

Mr. Baldwin said that communiques issued by General MacArthur's headquarters during the Bataan fighting and the seige of Corregidor bore so little resemblance to actual events that when the gist of them, cast in a cheerful mood of utter unreality, was broadcast via U.S. radio to our suffering troops on Bataan, they aroused actual resentment.

Atom bomb

Turing to the atom bomb, Mr. Baldwin said: "The utilisation of the atom bomb against a prostrate and defeated Japan in the closing days of the war exemplifies, even more graphically than any of the mistakes previously recounted, the narrow, astigmatic concentration of our planners upon one goal and one goal alone, victory."

Acceptance of decision to use the bomb was possible only on two grounds: 1. It would hasten victory; or, more important, 2. It would help to consolidate peace or to further the political aims for which the U.S. fought in the Pacific. Mr. Baldwin added, "History can accept neither contention."

The decision to use the bomb was made over the strong opposition of numerous scientists and experts on Japan, including the former Ambassador, Joseph Grew, and came at a time when Japan was already putting out peace feelers.

Mr. Baldwin added: "Some may point to the comparative tranquility of Japan under MacArthur in the post-war period as due in part to the terror of American arms created by the bomb. This is scarcely so; Japan's seeming tranquility is a surface one, which has been furthered by a single occupation authority and the nature of the Japanese people. But I venture to say that those who suffered at Hiroshima and Nagasaki will never forget it, and that we sowed there a whirlwind of hate which we shall some day reap....

"It is my contention that in the eyes of the world the atomic bomb has cost us dearly; we have lost morally; we no longer are the world's moral leader as in the days of the Wilsonian Fourteen Points...The American public is tending to accept the nefarious doctrine that the ends justify the means...If we do not soon reverse this trend we shall some day find ourselves become the victims of our own theories and practices."—United Press.

PLOT IN YEMEN FOILED

Cairo, February 26.

The British-owned "Egyptian Gazette" said today that King Ahmed of Yemen has broken-up-a-plot-to-overthrow the Government, led by his brother.

An undated despatch reported that the King's brother, Seif el Islam Ismail, who was Minister of Education, is now in prison at Hijjah. A number of conspirators fled to the neighbouring British colony of Aden, the "Gazette" said. It reported that most of them were teachers and students.

The Yemenite Minister of State, Hassan Ibn Ibrahim, who is in Cairo, confirmed that Seif is under arrest but said it was for personal misconduct unrelated to politics. Ibrahim denied that there had been a plot against the King.

The "Gazette" said some Yemenite Army units were involved in the planned coup.

Yemen, which rarely permits foreign visitors, is situated in the South West corner of Arabia. It has a population of about 4,000,000. Just two years ago the former King, Yahya, was assassinated in a coup. His son, the present King, defeated the revolutionary forces and was crowned on March 14, 1948. —Associated Press.

NO OPPOSITION IN YUGOSLAV "ELECTIONS"

Belgrade, February 26.

Marshal Tito, in a speech to the Serbian People's Front Congress today confirmed that no opposition parties will be allowed to take part in the General Election on March 26.

"We do not need the help of those who were unable to help in the past, because we know that they are unable to help now also," he declared.

Marshal Tito said that anyone who genuinely wished to help the country must support the programme of the Communist-dominated People's Front in building up Socialism.

In the past two years Yugoslavia had been attacked from both sides, especially from the East. This would have been too much for any other country even in normal times, but Yugoslavia had overcome the difficulties and would continue to do so in the future.

Marshal Tito said that the situation was not easy but that all obstacles would be surmounted.—Reuter.

MARITAL TANGLES IN HOLLYWOOD

Los Angeles, February 26.

The actress, Ann Dvorak, is suing her dancer husband, Igor Dega, for divorce, charging cruelty.

"I tried but I just cannot go on night after night sitting in those cafes," she said, explaining that his engagements took him into too many night spots.

Miss Dvorak and Dega, who was born in Russia, have been married two years.

Meanwhile Louis Hayward's second wife—his first was Ida Lupino—sued for divorce here.

Mrs. Margaret Morrow Hayward, aged 38, a Beverly Hills society woman, charged cruelty. They were married in 1946. Hayward, aged 40, was divorced by Miss Lupino in 1945.—Associated Press.

U.S. warning against offer by Russia

New York, February 26.

A U.S. delegate to the United Nations, Ambassador Ernest Gross, warned in a speech here against letting the urgency of the atomic problem drive America into "seductive" bilateral talks with Russia.

"Driven on by the undeniable urgency of the atomic problem; there has been a tendency for many of our people to look for some quick, easy device that will solve the problems at one stroke," he said.

He added that Russia, through the calculated exercise of its censorship power, has injected hints of Soviet willingness to enter into bilateral talks with the United States.

"It suggests that if we would leave the conference table of the United Nations and retire to a dimly-lit table for two, we might soon be holding hands. It is a seductive picture." — Associated Press.

NAMOA ISLAND BOMBED

Taipeh, February 26.

Namoa Island off Swatow has been added to the Nationalist Air Force's raid list. War planes were sent repeatedly Saturday morning.

The planes plastered Swatow airfield and wharves destroying a 300-ton landing craft and several godowns.

Bombers from Hainan continued their attacks on Luichow Peninsula, Southern Kwangtung and the Canton-Kowloon railway today while those from Tinghai struck the Lunghua area in Shanghai, Foochow and other coastal areas.

An Air Force report said a total of 50,000 pounds of bombs was used in the week ended February 22 and as a result 400 Chinese Communists were killed, five steamers, 14 motor cars and 150 junks wrecked, three bridges demolished and a great quantity of petrol burned.

In Taiwan, however, the populace was warned to prepare for a possible revenge raid by the Communists.

Air raid precaution units were mobilised tonight for a mock air-attack.

The city was completely dimmed out for 15 minutes. More practices will be carried out on Monday and Tuesday.—United Press.

London, February 26.

Father Alberto Gambini, administrator of the Vatican's semi-official newspaper, "Osservatore Romano," died last night, Vatican Radio announced. He was a member of the Society of St. Francis de Sales, Catholic priests who specialise in education.—Reuter.

VIETNAM ENVOY FOR LONDON

Saigon, February 26.

Official sources in Saigon said yesterday that the Vietnam Government headed by ex-Emperor Bao Dai will send diplomatic missions to London and Washington soon.

This decision followed the action by Britain and the U. S. in raising their respective Consulates-General to Legations.

Negotiations are being carried on with French authorities, it was added, to permit the dispatch of Vietnamese diplomats to Britain and America. Under the March 8 argeement of last year which gave Vietnam its independence within the framework of the French Union, Bao Dai's envoys were to go only to India, Siam, China and the Vatican. In other capitals France was to represent Vietnam.

Both Britain and America, however, bypassed that clause by sending Ministers to Saigon directly and not through the French Government.—Associated Press.

MOIRA SHEARER MARRIED

London, February 26.

The red-haired ballerina, Moira Shearer, was married to a young writer yesterday in the Royal Chapel of Hampton Court Palace.

The star of the film "Red Shoes" and a leading dancer of the Sadlers Wells Ballet wed Ludovic Kennedy, former College tutor turned writer.

Hundreds of people crowded into the courtyard of the historic Palace of King Henry VIII hours before the ceremony.—Associated Press.

NEW CONCERTO

Moscow, February 26.

A new concerto by the 59-year-old Russian musician, Sergei Prokoviov—the composer of "Peter and the Wolf"—is to be performed at the Moscow Conservatory next week.

Prokoviov was criticised for his "formalism" in a Communist Party decree on music in 1948. Last year his opera "The Real Soviet Man" which was written after this decree, also incurred official criticism.—Reuter.

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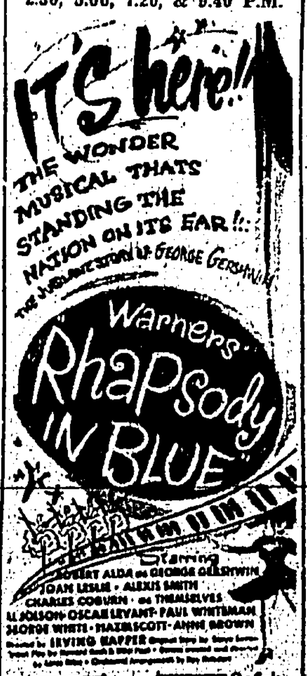

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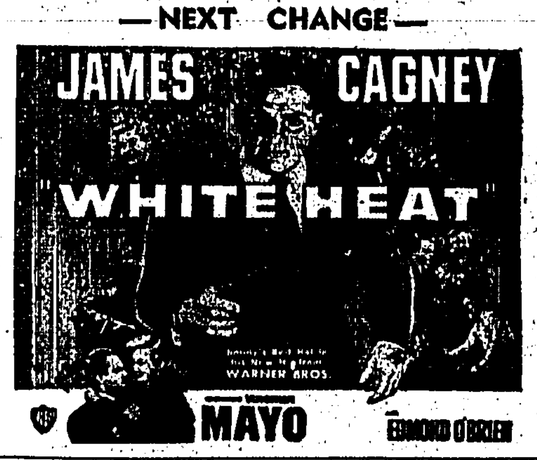

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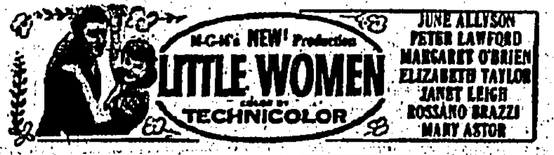

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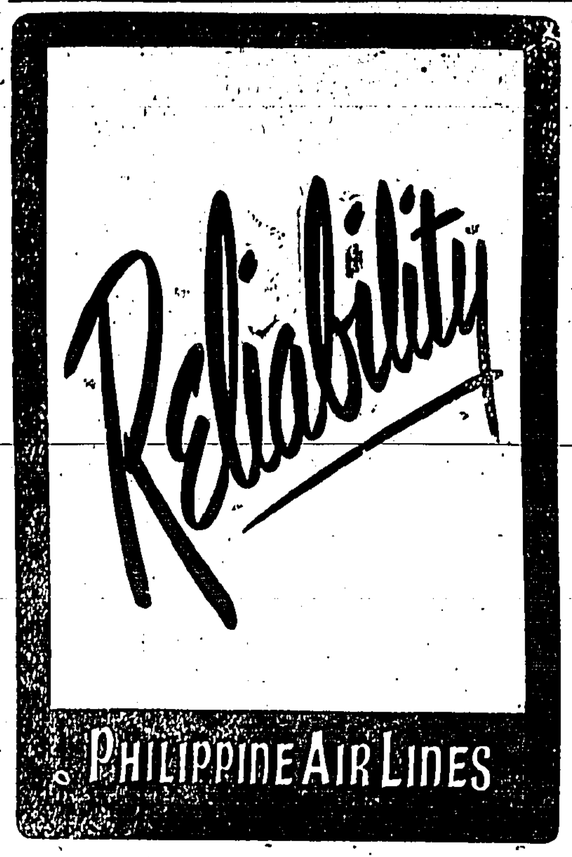

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BIRTH

CASTILHO—To MARY, wife of TOMMY, on 20th February 1950 at the St. Paul's Hospital, a son.

DEATH

BURKILL.—On February 24th, 1950 at "Paradise" Waltham-St-Lawrence, Berkshire, CHARLES REGINALD dearly loved husband of Marjorie Burkill.

AFTER THE POLL

The General Election in Britain may have resulted in a stalemate in Parliament, but certain vexed issues were settled at the polls. Communism was rejected with scorn and contempt, and so were Left Wing rebels who were just as much in the Fifth Column. The considerable—and mostly wasted—vote for the Liberals was a vote for a suspension of further nationalisation. That Party made its position clear alike to its supporters and to the country on the eve of the polls. It called for a halt to further nationalisation for the next five years, and said that if the Labour Party were unable to form a Government without Liberal support, that support would be strictly dependent on this undertaking. Another election soon to settle this issue seems unnecessary. And what if it didn't settle it, but produced another stalemate, with half the Liberal votes going to Labour and the other half to the Conservatives?

Nobody seems to have called for a Coalition, in spite of the immense amount of common ground before and during the election. The Welfare State has come to stay. Even on foreign policy there is not much between the major parties. Britain doesn't like Coalitions except in wartime, and then she demands them. We may not be at war, but quite definitely the times are out of joint, and an effective Coalition would help us both at Home and abroad as much as the present deadlock hinders us.

A compromise has been put forward, in the call for close consultation between the two major parties on all the principal issues of public finance, defence, and foreign relations. This is the minimum necessity, but it will be of little help psychologically, and that seems to us a matter of no small importance just now. Of course, Britain has been governed by Administrations which were actually in a minority. Under a system of close consultation even the present Labour Party could carry on for quite a time, in spite of possible pressure from the Left Wingers. But is that all that is required?

Even before the General Election a group of men, headed by Lord Hailey and Lord Hankey who have given exceptionally distinguished service to the State and the Empire, wrote to "The Times" on this subject. They declared their opinion that before long the gravity of the economic crisis at Home, and also, it may be, of the diplomatic crisis abroad, would compel all but the most obdurate partisans to realise that temporary political unity is essential.

To the world as a whole Britain now looks as though she is moving on crutches—a Labour crutch and a Tory crutch—with each trying to outmanoeuvre the other and with no thought but of the next election. Some time ago a thoughtful writer advanced the idea that the old party politics were out of date, and with it the old Party system. It may be true, but what is to replace it? Certainly it would be better to contain it within a Coalition rather than risk it altogether by the chance of another stalemate, which is by no means impossible.

The issue was put on a higher plane still, a few weeks ago, by Mr. Lionel Curtis, whose influence behind the scenes on British policy was for many years quite exceptional. He is a political prophet and philosopher without political ambitions, and though he is now one of the last survivors of the famous Milner Kindergarten, he has not allowed time to pass him by, but keeps his mind projected on more distant horizons. In a pamphlet he circulated to electors, he compared the petty issues on which the General Election was being fought with the crisis confronting humanity as a whole.

"We are literally living in a City of Destruction more threatening than Bunyan depicts in the Pilgrim's Progress," he wrote. "Twice in this century we have hardly escaped, with infinite loss of lives and treasure. In this atomic age we now have before us the valley of the shadow of death." He saw Britain given up to petty domestic issues in the teeth of world anarchy, when common action under British initiative was essential to create a supra-national authority which no aggressor would dare to assail. The view may be too far above the Party battle but the current view of the political deadlock seems much too narrow.

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S WAR MEMOIRS: THE THIRD BOOK

THE GRAND ALLIANCE

"Building of the Ship"

By Winston Churchill

At our first meeting we were about three hours together, and I soon comprehended his personal dynamism and the outstanding importance of his mission. This was the height of the London bombing, and many local worries imposed themselves upon us. But it was evident to me that here was an envoy from the President of supreme importance to our life. With gleaming eye and quiet, constrained passion he said:

"The President is determined that we shall win the war together. Make no mistake about it. He has sent me here to tell you that at all costs, and by all means, he will carry you through, no matter what happens to him—there is nothing that he will not do so far as he has human power."

Everyone who came in contact with Harry Hopkins in the long struggle will confirm what I have set down about his remarkable personality. And from this hour began a friendship between us which sailed serenely over all earthquakes and convulsions. He was the most faithful and perfect channel of communication between the President and me.

But far more than that, he was for several years the main prop and animator of Roosevelt himself. Together these two men, the one a subordinate without public office, the other commanding the mighty Republic, were capable of taking decisions of the highest consequence over the whole area of the English-speaking world.

Hopkins was, of course, jealous about his personal influence with his Chief and did not encourage American competitors. He therefore in some ways bore out the poet Gray's line, "A favourite has no friend." But this was not my affair.

There he sat, slim, frail, ill, but absolutely glowing with refined comprehension of the Cause. It was to be the defeat, ruin, and slaughter of Hitler, to the exclusion of all other purposes, loyalties, or aims. In the history of the United States few brighter flames have burned.

Harry Hopkins always went to the root of the matter. I have been present at several great conferences, where 20 or more of the most important executive personages were gathered together. When the discussion flagged and all seemed baffled, it was on these occasions he would rap out the deadly question: "Surely, Mr. President, here is the point we have got to settle. Are we going to face it or not?" Faced it always was, and, being faced, was conquered.

He was a true leader of men, and alike in ardour and in wisdom in times of crisis he has rarely been excelled. His love for the causes of the weak and poor was matched by his passion against tyranny, especially when tyranny was, for the time, triumphant.

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Visiting the fleet

In order to clothe the arrival of our new Ambassador, Lord Halifax, in the United States with every circumstance of importance, I arranged that our newest and strongest battleship, the King George V, with a proper escort of destroyers, should carry him and his wife across the ocean. I accompanied them North in my train and saw them off from Scapa Flow. I took advantage of the occasion to visit the Fleet, which I had not seen since I left the Admiralty.

This fitted in with my plans for making much closer acquaintance with Harry Hopkins. We went together to the Fleet, inspecting ships and defences. My wife came with me, and excelled all others in nimbleness of skipping and scrambling from one destroyer to another. Hopkins nearly fell into the sea.

I returned in my train to Glasgow. I was welcomed by very large crowds, saw all the local authorities, walked through a number of workshops, inspected the Defence, Fire, and Air Raid services, and made a number of impromptu speeches. We then went on to Tyneside, where the same thing happened.

All the time I got to know this man—and to know about his Chief. Hopkins was about 10 days with me, and in this time he put me into harmonious mental relations with the newly re-chosen Master of the great Republic.

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Later on in the same month there arrived in England Mr. Wendell Willkie, the President's opponent in the recent election. He too brought recommendations of the highest character from the President, and as he was the accepted leader of the Republican party every arrangement was made by us, with the assistance of the enemy, to let him see all he desired of London at bay. He also came to Chequers for a night, and I had a very long talk with this most able and forceful man, whose life was cut short so unexpectedly by illness two years later.

Former Naval Person to President Roosevelt. 28 January, 41.

I received Willkie yesterday, and was deeply moved by the verse of Longfellow's which you had quoted. I shall have it framed as a souvenir of these tremendous days, and as a mark of our friendly relations, which have been built up telegraphically but also telepathically under all the stresses... Here is the President's letter:

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Jan 20 1941

Dear Churchill

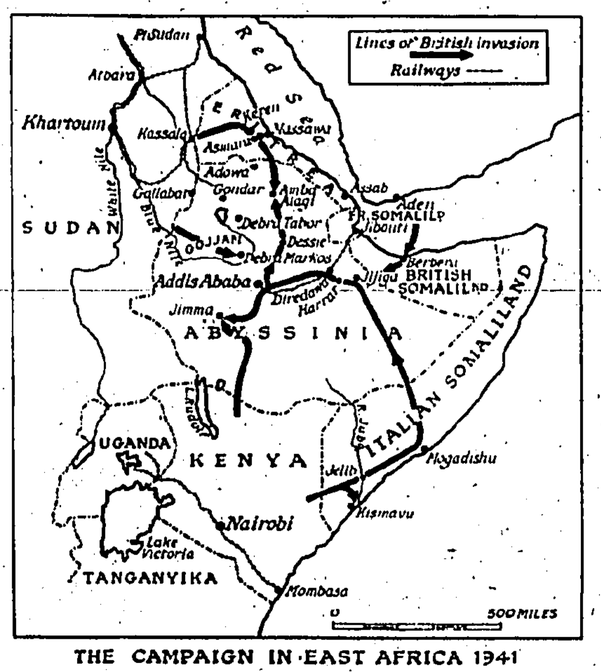
Wendell Willkie will give you this - He is truly helping to keep politics out over here.

I think this verse applies to your people as it does to us:

"Sail on, O Ship of State!
Sail on, O Union, strong and great!
Humanity with all its fears,
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!"

As ever yours,
Franklin D. Roosevelt.

President Roosevelt's letter to Mr. Churchill.



THE CAMPAIGN IN EAST AFRICA 1941

The extremely close, intimate contacts which prevailed between the War Cabinet, the Chiefs of Staff, and myself, and the total absence of party feeling in Britain at this time, reduced these discords to a minimum.

While the war with the Italians in North East Africa continued to prosper, and while the Greeks in Albania had good hopes of capturing Valona, all the news we got about the German movements and intentions proved every day more plainly that Hitler was about to intervene upon a large scale in the Balkans and the Mediterranean.

German air power

From the beginning of January I had apprehended the arrival of German air-power in Sicily, with the consequent menace to Malta and to all our hopes of resuming traffic through the Mediterranean. I also feared they would set up an air station on Pantelleria, with all the facilities this would give for a movement of German troops, presumably armoured, into Tripoli.

They did not, as it turned out, think it necessary to occupy Pantelleria, but we could not doubt that their plans were progressing to establish a North-and-South passage through "Italy to Africa, and at the same time, and by the same measures, to interrupt all our movements East and West in the Mediterranean.

On top of this now came the menace to the Balkan States, including Greece and Turkey, of being enticed or coerced into the Hitler empire, or conquered if they did not comply. Was the same hideous process we had witnessed in Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, and France to be reproduced in South East Europe? Were all the Balkan States, including heroic Greece, to be subjugated one by one, and Turkey, isolated, to be compelled to open for the German legions the road to Palestine, Egypt, Irak, and Persia?

Was there no chance of creating a Balkan unity and Balkan front which would make this new German aggression too costly to be worth while? Might not the fact of Balkan resistance to Germany produce serious and helpful reactions in Soviet Russia? Certainly this was a sphere in which the Balkan States were affected by interest, and even, so far as they allowed it to influence their calculations, by sentiment.

Could we from our strained but growing resources find the extra outside contribution which might galvanise all these States, whose interests were largely the same, into action for a common cause? Or ought we, on the other hand, to mind our own business and make a success of our campaign in North East Africa, let Greece, the Balkans, and it might be Turkey and all else in the Middle East, slide to ruin?

There would have been much mental relief in such a clear-cut decision; and it has found its adherents in the books of various officers occupying subordinate positions who have given us their views. These writers certainly have the advantage of pointing to the misfortunes which are sustained, but they had not the knowledge to consider sufficiently what the results of the opposite policy might have been.

If Hitler had been able with hardly any fighting, to bring Greece to her knees and the whole of the Balkans into his system and then force Turkey to allow the passage of the armies to the South and East might he not have made terms with the Soviets upon the conquest and partition of these vast regions and postponed his ultimate, inevitable quarrel with them to a later part of his programme? Or, as is more likely, would he not have been able to attack Russia in greater strength at an earlier date?

The main question which the ensuing chapters will probe and expose is whether his Majesty's Government by their action influenced in a decisive, or even in an appreciable manner, Hitler's movements in South East Europe, and moreover whether that action did not produce consequences first upon the behaviour of Russia and next upon her fortunes.

(To be Continued)

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Contemporary's caption yesterday described the success of Crufts' winner "Tracy Witch of Ware," ending up with the statement: "Photo shows 'Tracey Witch of Ware.'"

Main difficulty was to know Witch was Witch.

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Whatever the papers say, the Labour Party declares that there will be no new election immediattice.

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Manuel labour.

Recording the birth of triplets to a 71-year-old Spaniard, a contemporary stated: "It was a problem because the triplets—one of whom died at 30th children born to farmer birth—were the 37th, 38th and Manuel Torres."

I agree. As a problem it's baffling.

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The Nationalists are going to use girls in their fight against the Commos. No, Myrtle, I wouldn't advise volunteering. They aren't using the old-fashioned methods.

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Remarkably few Jap suicides are using the traditional hara-kiri method these days. If there's a steel shortage, I do think it's up to the rest of us to hasten forward and remedy it.

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Newsance.

Don't think there is any need to worry yet about this reporter held across the border. Indoctrination does take a little time, as Mao himself can testify.

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"Street Sleepers' Shelter Society appeal."

Sass a very good cause.

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It seems that Chiang's supporters are anxious for Li Tsung-jen to lose his place but not his face.

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It is reported from Hollywood that Jane Russell's football-player husband does the cooking himself because he doesn't want Jane to lean over a stove and endanger her career.

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Myrtle's face is her fortune, and it runs into a nice figure.

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Ginger Rogers, hoping the Charleston will return to favour, is quoted as saying, "It's a lot of fund."

Of course, with taxation at its present level in the States, a girl has to shake up an honest dollar whenever she can.

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Curtain call.

So ye've gone at last, Sir Harry.

But ye kept right on to the end o' the road, lad, and we'll be thinkin' o' ye there, roamin' in the gloamin'.

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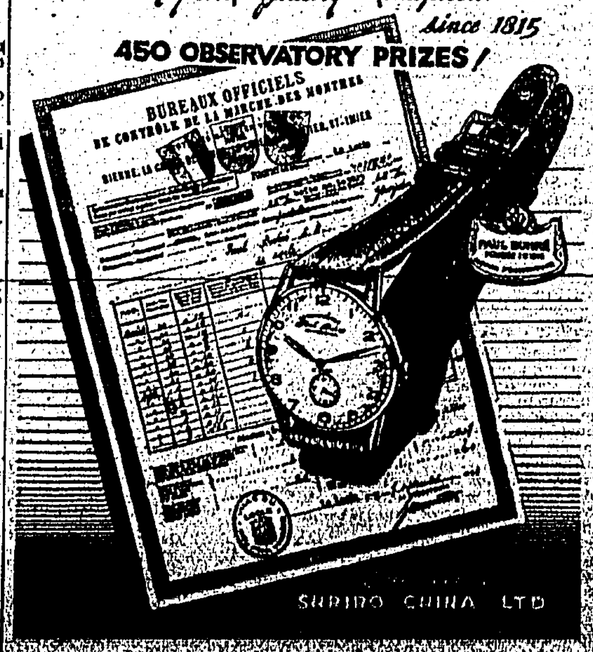

GOVERNMENT'S FATE MAY DEPEND ON TOMORROW'S TALKS

Meeting of Parliamentary Labour Party in London

London, February 26.

As the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, planned his new Cabinet today, observers predicted that the fate of his Government may hang on the reactions to the Election deadlock at the Parliamentary Labour Party meeting on Wednesday.

The left wing, headed by the Minister of Health, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, is likely to insist that there must be no compromise on the party programme for the sake of maintaining shaky office.

Mr. Bevan, who pressed consistently for the nationalisation of steel, is said to have threatened to resign if Labour goes back on its 1945 pledge to transfer this industry to public ownership.

Mr. Winston Churchill and his Conservative "Shadow Cabinet", who will meet on Tuesday, have it in their power to bring down the Labour Administration within a short time, and some Socialist leaders will not care if they do.

They foresee great permanent damage to Labour's cause if the Government, lacking an effective Parliamentary majority, prolongs its existence, unable to give the country the strong direction required for recovery.

But if Labour wants to temporise, the Liberals, whom both the Conservatives and the Socialists blame for the Election stalemate, may be useful to the Government in a balance of power position.

The Liberals do not want another Election—it would probably mean their extermination as the public might regard it as a waste of time to vote Liberal again and plump instead for the Tories or for Labour.

Backed by the Liberals, the Government party may have a majority of between 20 and 30 in Parliamentary divisions. But Labour is not expected to court this support to the extent of capitulating on nationalisation or other aspects of policy—on which the Liberals might demand pledges in return for their help.

Lively topic

The probable personalities in the new Cabinet are a topic of lively discussions in political quarters. It is assumed that the Cabinet hierarchy will remain unchanged.

Mr. Herbert Morrison is likely to remain leader of the House of Commons, and Mr. Ernest Bevin, unless he has other ideas, will continue as Foreign Minister.

The pressure of economic events points to Sir Stafford Cripps remaining at the Treasury. The transfer of the Food Minister, Mr. John Strachey, to another job would not surprise observers as his Department has been under heavy public fire.

A new Defence Minister is also not improbable. Lord Alexander, the often criticised holder of the office, was recently given a Peerage and the Government reshuffle may see him switched. The War Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell has been mentioned as a "possible" for this job.

Mr. Clement Davies, the leader of the Parliamentary Liberal Party, is due in London today from his home in North Wales. He will preside at a meeting here of the Party Committee on Tuesday.

Bevan "mystery"

The "mystery" of why the Health Minister, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, was not at yesterday's important Cabinet meeting, was cleared up today by his sister and his agent.

Mr. Bevan was indisposed, they said.

The "Sunday Express" this morning said a Labour official had explained that Mr. Bevan could not reach London in time from his Welsh constituency, but some of his friends were quoted as saying he was in a mood that might have made attendance at the meeting a little awkward for some of his colleagues.

The despatch said that he had been in London at the time of the meeting and later left London for an unknown destination.

Mrs. Morris, Mr. Bevan's sister, said today that he had left Tredegar, Monmouthshire, on Friday and became unwell on his way to London. "He indisposition was of such a nature that it would be very inconvenient for him to attend a meeting," she said. "It was nothing serious. There is no political significance in it."

His agent, Mr. Lush, told a reporter that when Mr. Bevan had told him over the telephone last night of the little incident which prevented his reaching Downing Street, he was highly amused. "The incident has nothing whatever to do with politics. The relationship between Mr. Bevan and the members of the Cabinet is quite happy."

Irish puzzle

Mr. A. J. Mulvy, the newly elected Irish Nationalist Member of Parliament in Westminster, said in Belfast today that the Anti-Partition League will probably meet this week to decide if he should take his seat in the London Parliament.

At present he is pledged to boycott it in protest against the British attitude to Ireland.

Several Nationalists are pressing him and the other Nationalist Member of Parliament, Mr. C. Healy (Tyrone) to reverse this decision and take advantage of the narrow Government majority by attending.

This would be mainly a propaganda move. They would be unlikely to vote for either the Conservatives or for Labour.

Mr. Attlee's decision to carry on in office is to be welcomed, Mr. Herbert Bullock, Chairman of the British Trades Union Congress, said in Bombay today.

"We were rather sorry at not having a working majority, though we had anticipated that a number of people in Britain would be upset by the post-war austerity programme," he said.

"Nevertheless, Labour has given everybody a square deal."

As regards the chances of another General Election, immediately, Mr. Bullock said: "If the Tories force another Election it will be so much the worse for them, especially after the electorate has had a chance to think twice."

Launches, a lifeboat, taxicabs and—for the first time in history—an aeroplane were used today to bring in Election votes from the Shetlands and Orkneys, Britain's Northernmost Parliamentary division.

The combined land-air-sea operations have lasted three days.

A specially chartered aeroplane flew 33 ballot boxes from the Shetlands to Kirkwall.—Reuter.

REDS TO MARCH ON BERLIN

Berlin, February 26.

Allied protective measures against the forthcoming Communist "march on Berlin" will be decided on the highest Government level, U. S. sources disclosed today.

Admitting the danger of bloodshed if 500,000 German Communist youths carry out threats to occupy West Berlin on May 27-30, the three Allied Commandants are now drafting their recommendations.

But the final orders for 10,000 West Berlin police and 7,500 Allied combat troops stationed in Berlin will be issued by Washington, London and Paris.

Communist spokesmen of the "Free German Youth" (FDJ) are insisting that they will defy even U.S. tanks in carrying on their "peace" demonstration in all Berlin.

Ten thousand Volkspolizei (People's Police) are reported ready to be brought from the Soviet zone in May to reinforce the 12,000 Communist police in East Berlin.

Several brigades of military trainees in the Army branch of the Volkspolizei have been designated to act as plainclothes bodyguards for the youth parade into the Allied sectors during the Whitsun rally.

Communist newspapers have printed veiled threats that the marchers will fight their way through West Berlin streets if necessary.—Associated Press.

KAREN CITY CAPTURED

Rangoon, February 26.

Government troops today recaptured the Karen fortress city of Nyaunglebin after a swift eight-mile advance from Pyuntaza, which fell yesterday, it was officially announced here today.

This new victory brought Government forces to within 77 miles of their main target of Toungoo, which the Karens claim as capital of their independent State.

The Government communique described Nyaunglebin as the most strongly fortified Karen stronghold in the Pegu district.

It claimed heavy Karen casualties during the retaking of the town and said several big field guns were captured.—Associated Press.

NEW BARONS

London, February 26.

What is probably the shortest Honours List ever issued by a British King—it contains two names—was announced today by the Prime Minister's Office.

The occasion, said a statement, was the recent dissolution of Parliament.

Baronies were conferred by King George VI on John James Lawton, Member of Parliament for the Chester le Street Division of County Durham from 1919 to 1949, and Sir Francis Campbell Ross Douglas, Member of Parliament for Battersea from 1940 to 1946 and Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta from 1946 to 1949. Both were awarded for political and public service.—Associated Press.

PRAGUE FANTASY

Prague, February 26.

The paper "Rude Pravo" alleged today that the Roman Catholic Church hierarchy had threatened to excommunicate any Catholic who voted for a Communist candidate in Thursday's British General Election.

The paper, organ of the Czech Communist Party, said: "The bourgeoisie used open terror and fraud during the election".

It added: "The high Church hierarchy joined the pre-election anti-Communist terror and threatened to excommunicate any Catholic who voted for the Communists."

The paper did not elaborate on the charges of terror and fraud.—Associated Press.

Consequences of the UK election

Canberra, February 26.

Australia's Deputy opposition leader, Herbert Evatt, said in a broadcast today that the consequences of the British election were significant to the British Commonwealth and all mankind.

He said, "The Labour movement in Australia and New Zealand is encouraged by Clement Attlee's victory in Britain, small though his majority will be.

"Labour's success in Britain against great odds should make every Australian appreciate what Britain has done during the war against the enemies of mankind and since the war in pursuit of economic and social security for all."—Associated Press.

COUP IN BULGARIA FAILURE

Berlin, February 20.

An unsuccessful coup d'etat in Bulgaria, resulting in the arrest of General Kinov, the Army Chief of Staff, and many Army officers, was reported today from Sofia by "Die Welt Am Sonntag," the official British newspaper in Germany.

According to the report, General Kinov, with the support of the Army, had planned to seize power shortly after the death of the Prime Minister, M. George Dimitrov.

General Bagrajanov, the chief Bulgarian Political Commissar, General Toschev, head of the Sofia Garrison, and the Minister of Transport, M. Markov, were to have been General Kinov's immediate associates. They were also reported to have been arrested.

Shortly before the death of M. Dimitrov, which occurred in Moscow last July, General Kinov was called to the Soviet Union, where he issued a statement that he was at M. Dimitrov's bedside. But on his return to Sofia he was reported to have said that he signed a prepared statement, without having seen M. Dimitrov.

According to the report, General Kinov then called a number of senior officers of the Bulgarian Army together, told them of his belief that M. Dimitrov had been murdered and asked them to join him in a plot to overthrow the Communist Government.

Detailed plans were worked out but the news of the alleged coup reached the Bulgarian Secret Police, the newspaper said.

It is expected in Sofia that the Soviet commander, Marshal Koniev, will be sent from Moscow to take command of the Bulgarian Army, in the same way that Marshal Rokossovsky assumed command of the Polish Army, the report added.—Reuter.

BOMB ATTACK ON NEWSPAPER

Genoa, February 26.

The police here today are hunting a gang of men believed to be former partisans who last night threw bombs into the offices here of the newspaper, "Corriere del Popolo."

One of the bombs exploded in the editorial room without causing injury. Another fell without exploding in the doorway to the offices.

The paper recently published a series of articles on partisan activities at the end of the war. These provoked protests from the left wing Press.—Reuter.

COW'S RECORD

Durham, February 26.

A world's daily milk production record for her breed was claimed today on behalf of a Jersey cow at Durham.

Professor R. W. Wheldon, Dean of Agriculture at Durham University, who owns the cow, reported that her milk production for the 24 hours ended 6 a.m. today was 120¾ pounds. He said that the previous record for Jerseys was 96½.—Associated Press.

Chou En-lai, Communist China's Foreign Minister (nearest camera) is seen after visiting Lenin's Tomb in the Red Square in Moscow. Associated Press Photo.

Pravda attacks U.S.

Moscow, February 26.

"Pravda's" commentator, Ilya Ehrenburg, today attacked what he called American diplomatic blackmail with the atomic bomb or superbomb, but, like other Soviet publicists, he did not mention the hydrogen bomb by name.

For four years in a row, he said, the Americans had brandished the atom bomb, and now that the effect of that had petered out, they were pushing the new super-bomb.

"Bombs and super-bombs mean principally blackmail. They think we Soviet people possess weak nerves. They vainly think we will raise our hands up after listening to President Truman's utterances.

"The roar of guns, tanks and bombs is still in our ears. We were not frightened then. We didn't raise our hands, but those who stupidly thought they could scare us surrendered.

"Let grocers and haberdashers get busy with something else. Let them advertise their stocks of super-bombs. Let the Republicans frighten the Democrats and the Democrats frighten Republicans with new political scandals. As far as we are concerned, they are getting hot under the collar in vain."

He then paid tribute to the American people, saying that, like all the world's people, they did not want war. But, he added, there are many naive people in America who do not understand politics.

As an example of politics, he said that, during the presidential election campaign, Mr. Truman forgot the word bomb and talked only of peace; but when the election was over, Mr. Truman recalled the word bomb and forgot peace.

"However, in America itself there is a daily increase of popular indignation with these outrageous threats," he continued.

He expressed confidence that "the American people know that we Soviet people hate war."

"We know Frenchmen, Italians and Englishmen won't fight for the madmen in the White House."—United Press.

DRIVE AGAINST MALAYA BANDITS

Singapore, February 26.

Malaya's armed forces, with 550,000 Chinese, Malay, Indian and European civilian volunteers, opened a vast anti-bandit offensive tonight, aimed at sweeping the Communist terrorists out of the Federation.

All Army, police and Government leave was cancelled as an "anti-bandit month" campaign was launched without warning.

Rewards were doubled for the seizure of unlicensed arms and ammunition. Extra rewards were offered for the capture of terrorists, dead or alive.

The Government authorities expect the guerilla war to "hot up." They have ample evidence that the terrorists intend to launch a counter-offensive.

The police reported a stepping-up of outrages against civilians this week-end. Terrorists attacked a train and wounded two passengers near the Siam-Malaya border.

British troops operating in Selangor today killed four terrorists and wounded five others.—Reuter.

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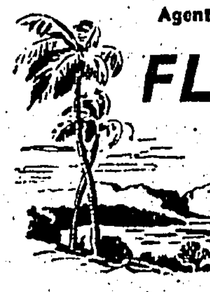

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U.S. OPINION HARDENS AGAINST RED REGIME

Washington, February 27.

Chinese Communist acts directed against United States citizens and property in China have hardened Congressional opinion here against any early recognition of the Chinese Communist regime.

Some Congressmen, who had been predicting privately that the United States would follow Britain's lead and extend recognition within a few months, now say that it will be delayed indefinitely.

Political observers on Capitol Hill were convinced that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and the veteran Democratic foreign policy spokesman in Congress, Senator Tom Connally, were preparing the way for eventual United States recognition of the Chinese regime.

Then the Chinese Communists, rejecting strong American protests, seized United States Consular property in Peking recently and imprisoned the American Consul-General in Mukden, Mr. Angus Ward, on charges of assault.

After that any possibility of United States recognition in the near future had vanished in the resulting Congressional uproar and the decision of the State Department to withdraw its remaining consular officials from Communist-held China.

Just prior to the Peking incident, Senator Connally, who, as Chairman of the Senate's powerful Foreign Relations Committee, is regarded as usually reflecting State Department opinion, had indicated in Senate speeches and in Press statements that the United States would eventually recognise Communist China—on conditions.

These conditions were that the Communist regime would have to respect international law and the rights and property of American citizens and interests in China.

Baited by Republican opponents of recognition, Senator Connally asked in the Senate what good it would do the United States not to recognise the Chinese regime when other nations had already done so.

Business pressure

This appeared to Republicans to indicate that the State Department was considering recognition and the general trend of speculation was not if recognition would be granted, but when.

Some of the more outspoken Republican critics of the Administration's Far Eastern policy declared that the State Department was agitating for recognition.

Suggestions were also made privately by some Congressmen that United States business interests were exerting pressure for early recognition of the Chinese Communists.

These business interests, including some Chambers of Commerce, were reported to be anxious to re-open trade with China before British firms had taken over the China markets.

Some political observers saw in the Chinese Communists' attitude towards the United States an indication that the Communist regime did not want United States recognition.

Although the question of recognition appears now to have been shelved, the Republicans are declaring that the Democratic policy concerning China has been one of appeasement of the Communists and betrayal of the Nationalists and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Republican split

President Truman's recent declaration that the United States would not interveno militarily to save the island of Taiwan, last stronghold of the Chinese Nationalists, from Communist invasion brought forth bitter Republican criticism that the President was capitulating to Communist blackmail.

One of the charges levelled by the Republicans was that the Administration had blundered in its Far Eastern policy because the President had abandoned the bi-partisan co-operation policy in Asian affairs while expecting the Republicans to co-operate in European foreign policy.

Democratic spokesmen conceded that there should have been more consultation with Republican leaders, particularly with Senator Arthur Vandenberg, of Michigan, the Republican foreign policy spokesman, before the announcement of the "hands off" policy regarding Taiwan.

Such consultation might have reduced the vigour of Congressional criticism.

Although lashing the failure of the Truman Administration to halt the expansion of Communism in China and the Asiatic territories, the Republicans themselves were divided on what should be done.

There was a three-way split over what methods should be used to save the island of Taiwan from falling to the Communists.

The Republican policy leader, Senator Robert Taft (of Ohio) joined ex-President Herbert Hoover in demanding that the United States tell the Communists that an invasion of Taiwan would not be permitted and also that if necessary, the United States Navy would be used to block any attempt at a seaborne invasion.

Attack wilts

Another section of the Republicans, led by Senator William Knowland (of California), and Senator Alexander Smith (of New Jersey), was demanding that arms and money be sent to the Nationalists in Taiwan. But it was opposed to military intervention.

A third section, represented by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge (of Massachusetts), was prepared to wait until the dust settled before taking a definite stand on the issue.

The demands for military intervention wilted under a blistering Democratic attack in the Senate. Senator Connally challenged the advocates of such intervention to say whether they "wanted to send bright-faced American boys to die in the Taiwan jungles."

Democratic spokesmen were quick to stress that some isolationist Republicans, particularly Senator Taft, who were opposed to any United States intervention in the world war prior to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour, now favour intervention in China.

The Republicans countered this with statements that Democrats who were interventionists in the European war are now isolationists in the China situation.

Election issue

Neutral observers thought that the Republicans supporting Senator Taft's demands had made a tactical blunder in calling for United States armed intervention in the Taiwan situation. The demands did not meet with a great deal of public support.

The Truman Administration's handling of Asia foreign policy, and in particular the events leading up to the Communist conquest of China, are likely to be lively issues in the November election campaigns.

These elections will fill all the seats in the House of Representatives and one third of the seats in the Senate.

The line of Republican attack in Congress indicates that they will argue that China could have been saved by a firm United States policy and by State Department rejection of the advice of "pro-Communist officials" to appease the Chinese Communists.

The Democratic Party reply to that is that the United States poured money and arms into Nationalist hands, but that the Nationalists lost China because they had not the will to fight.

The Democrats have already declared that the Republican demands for armed intervention in Taiwan will result in another World War.—Reuter.

Chinese Red leaders leave Russia

London, February 26.

The Chinese Communist leader, Mr. Mao Tse-tung, and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, have crossed the Soviet border into China on their way home from Moscow, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported tonight.

The Chinese leaders and their entourage arrived in Moscow in mid December and left on February 17.

On February 14 Chinese and Soviet leaders signed a 30-year friendship treaty.

Mr. A. Lavrentyev, Deputy Foreign Minister, was among a group of Russian officials who bade farewell to the Chinese delegation at the frontier station of Otpor.

A guard of honour was mounted and Chinese and Soviet flags were flown.—Reuter.

ARMS CACHE IN FRANCE FOUND

Toulouse, February 26.

Weapons, including machine-guns and other automatic firearms, weighing seven tons, were discovered by the French police in several caches in the area of Barbazan, near Toulouse, South of France.

At the same time, police arrested six Spaniards who confessed to be members of the Spanish Communist Party. Communist leaflets were found in their homes. —Associated Press.

LYONS CLASH

Lyons, February 26.

Several persons, including a Communist Deputy, Julien Afroldi, and three policemen, were injured today when demonstrators tried to march on a meeting of followers of General Charles de Gaulle at La Mulatiere, a Lyons suburb.

Between 200 to 300 left wingers gathered at the town hall and advanced against a police cordon and, according to the semi-official French Agency, threw stones. There were several arrests, the Agency said.—Associated Press.

SINGAPORE "NO" TO COMMUNISTS

Singapore, February 26.

Australian Communists who apply for permission to enter Singapore will be given a curt "no," an official announcement said.—Associated Press.

Berlin bald-heads parade

A Berlin film company advertised in the local paper for men with bald heads to apply for employment as an 'extra' in a film they are to make based on the efforts of an international hairdresser who claimed to restore hair by the use of secret herbs. Some 400 men applied. The man with the "slickest" bald pate will receive a prize of £85. Here German actress Olga Tschechowa is surrounded by hopeful baldheaded candidates. Chin whiskers didn't count in the contest. (Associated Press Photo).

COMMUNISM'S SPREAD IN SOUTH EAST ASIA

(Editor' Note: The Communist upsurge is still advancing in the vast areas of South East Asia, a United Press survey showed today. The recent conference of United States diplomats in Bangkok put the spotlight on the Red threat. The following despatch is based on thumbnail reports on the Communist situation from United Press bureaux in 15 countries — from India and China to Australia and New Zealand).

New York, February 27.

The upsurge of Communism is spreading from occupied China through countries of South East Asia, a United Press survey showed today. South Korea, Burma and Thailand—described as the fountainhead of Communist activity in the area, appear to be under the most direct threat.

United Press despatches from each Far Eastern country give the following story of current situations:—

Korea, with its capital city of Seoul only 30 miles from Communist territory, probably feels the Communist threat more intensely than any other Far Eastern nation. Small scale guerilla attacks occur almost daily from Communist North Korea and there is some raiding across the border by the North Korean army.

Thailand is described as the centre of Communist propaganda for South Eastern Asia. Neutral sources believe the Communists include Thailand in their plan to communise Asia after Indo-China, but that the Premier, Phibul Songgram, will oppose such a plan vigorously.

The British have warned that Communist agents are attempting to seize control through a reign of terror. In the rear the situation in Burma is chaotic. Rangoon is the only city in which there is any semblance of order. Warring factions have so divided the country to the North that it is believed the Communists can march in whenever they choose.

Communist activity in India and Pakistan is growing stronger with progressive deterioration of the economic conditions and growing popular dissatisfaction with the Government. Activity centres in Hyderabad, which India took over in 1948, Madras and West Bengal. West Pakistan is almost totally free of Communist activity but East Pakistan, which borders India and India's West Bengal, has a problem similar to that of India.

Indonesia

Communism is dormant in Indonesia but party members are reorganising following the abortive Communist revolt against the Republic in 1948 from which they have not yet recovered.

The bitter civil war against the Communists in Indo-China will enter its fifth year in August with the situation closely paralleling the Greek civil war.

Russia has recognised the government of Moscow-trained Dr. Ho Chi-minh. Dr. Ho is master of jungles and mountainous areas. The West recognises the Vietnam Government of former Emperor Bao Dai who, with the French, holds the main cities and the richest areas.

Bao Dai hopes to end the war this year with Western help. He also has the support of the wealth of 2,000,000 Catholics and Annamese peasants who still consider him their spiritual and political leader.

Spreading of Communist influence among members of Hong Kong's vital utility workers union is causing serious concern to the authorities.

Officials are not accepting assertions by various Peking sources that the Colony will not be molested and the police and troops are prepared to cope with anything less than a prolonged general strike.

Malaya

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, driven from the mainland to Taiwan, promises the people of China that he will return. The Communists apparently hold an iron grip on China but reports from the interior tell of mounting dissatisfaction with the Red regime. The Communists pose an immediate invasion threat to this last Nationalist stronghold but government leaders believe they can invade the mainland and win back the people's support.

British security forces have been engaged in a fight against insurgents in Malaya since the end of the war. The Acting Governor, Sir Patrick McKerron, warned that Communist China will not be permitted to spread propaganda by any means against the authority of Malaya. Many in the large Chinese population have expressed sympathy with the Peking regime.

Both Australia and New Zealand are closely allied in working for an anti-Communist pact in the Pacific with United States participation. Both Governments are strongly anti-Communist and Australia is expected to introduce sweeping laws to outlaw Communism. Some unions have strong Communist leadership. — United Press.

AWARD FOR FORMER HK AP MAN

New York, February 27.

Wayne Richardson, former Associated Press correspondent in Hong Kong, who braved Chinese naval gunfire for an exclusive news beat, today won the George Polk Memorial award of the Overseas Press Club.

He was cited for his "courage, integrity and enterprise above and beyond the call of duty."

Mr. Richardson sailed as a volunteer aboard the Flying Arrow of the Isbrandtsen line last month when she was hit 38 times and set on fire by a Nationalist Chinese gunboat while trying to pass the blockade of Shanghai.

He was the only newsman aboard and poured out a series of exclusive stories over the ship's radio before and after the shelling.

After the damaged ship put into Tsingtao for repairs, Mr. Richardson obtained another exclusive beat by writing the first American report on life in a Communist Chinese city.

The Club's award, which carries a US$500 prize, is named after a young American correspondent for the Columbia Broadcasting System who was assassinated nearly two years ago while covering the disorders in Greece.

It was Mr. Richardson's decision to sail aboard the Flying Arrow—which was headed for a showdown with the Nationalists under the urging of Hans J. Isbrandtsen, New York shipowner.

He was due for home leave after four years as AP correspondent in Hong Kong, and had first planned to fly home. Then the Flying Arrow called at Hong Kong to get ready for the dash to Shanghai.

Mr. Richardson, aged 31, well knew the danger of the attempt, for there was no chance of surprising the Nationalists and slipping by unobserved.

But he was so eager that he was ready to sign on as a ship's radio operator if he could not get passenger space. He had once been a telegraph operator.

Mr. Richardson has been with the Associated Press for 26 years. He volunteered for foreign service and was assigned to China in 1945.—Associated Press.

CHARGE DENIED

Frankfurt, February 20.

A Czech paper's charge that 40 U.S. divisions were in Germany in 1948 to invade Czechoslovakia was ridiculed in Frankfurt today officially and unofficially.

At no time since 1940 has there been more than one U.S. division of combat troops plus a small mobile constabulary force of something less than one division in Western Germany.

The only regular U.S. Army division in Germany over the past three years has been the First Infantry Division.

All remaining troops are Air Force, Constabulary and supply units.—Associated Press.

Vatican City, February 26.

Pope Pius XII today received in audience the Right Reverend Theodor Breher, the Catholic Bishop of Yenki, Manchuria, whom the Chinese Communists held prisoner for two years. Two secretaries who shared his imprisonment escorted the 70-year-old Prelate into the Pope's presence. —Reuter.

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COMMUNISTS' THREAT TO ASIA RICE BOWL

Delhi, February 27.

Western observers here fear that Indo-China may be the spearhead of a Communist thrust into South East Asia from China in an effort to gain control of all the teeming millions in the non-Communist countries of the Far East through their rice bowls.

The Peking regime has extended diplomatic recognition to the Government of Dr. Ho Chi-minh, Communist leader of a nationalist movement that holds one-third of the population and about half of the land area of Indo-China.

An eventual victory by Ho over the rival Nationalist Government of former Emperor Bao Dai of Annam and his French allies would give world Communism a toehold inside the rice-producing area of South East Asia and immediately menace Burma and Thailand, then eventually India, Malaya and the United States of Indonesia.

Private sources in Indo-China profess to have knowledge that the Chinese Communist party is to be the instrument of world communism for the domination of Asia. Existing border contact between Ho and the Chinese Communist forces at his back is considered an obvious opening for a rush Southward.

The rice eaters of Asia have been hungry for a long time because the fighting in Indo-China has reduced that country's rice exports from about 1,500,000 tons annually before the war to less than 200,000 tons. Asia's staff of life now comes principally from Burma and Thailand, two countries on Indo-China's borders which are already disturbed by Communist activity.

Burma is in a chaotic state of civil war, with the Communists forming one of the armed groups opposing the Thakin Nu Government. Thailand is fearful of a Communist fifth column within its large Chinese minority.

An incursion of Communist Indo-China against Thailand would be quite within the historic pattern of conflict between these two countries, which have been invading one another over the last 1,300 years. And what reason is there to think that the Communists, backed from outside, could not capture Burma in her presently weakened state?

Eventual threat to India

From there, of course, India would be threatened. There have been rumours for some time of Communist infiltration through Assam on Burma's Eastern border.

Meanwhile, avenues for support of the armed Communists already in revolt against the British Government of Malaya and for aid to the Indonesian Communists would be open.

Even before this extension of power, however, the Communists would have the hungry countries of Asia starving for rice if they wished to put on this pressure. Possibly rice now feeding the deficit areas of non-Communist Asia would be diverted to the needs of Communist China. The diversion of South East Asia's rice to China would have two results: (1) It would feed China's hungry and thereby strengthen their Communist Government, and (2) it would increase discontent among poorly fed peoples elsewhere who provide the most fertile ground for the spread of Communism. These are people who cannot endure much more misery without turning to something new.

These disturbing considerations were in the minds of delegates to the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers' Conference in Colombo. This was the reason for adoption of the Commonwealth aid plan for South East Asia which the United States is expected to finance. The Commonwealth countries do not have the money, and the delegates believed that the stemming of communism in Asia was America's problem, too.

Some of the Foreign Ministers felt that the situation would be helped by recognition of the Bao Dai Government as that of free Indo-China. But the Eastern dominions, following the lead of India's Prime Minister Nehru, are holding off because they are not convinced that Bao Dai has either freedom or a government.

Ho Chi-minh trained in revolutionary technique by Russian Communists and leader of the former Communist party of Indo-China, has fought the French for three years. He acquired a tremendous following when the nationalist movement was the only one. It is estimated that his supporters are still 80 per cent nationalist, but that the Communist core of his Viet Minh party holds complete control.

Too much for French

In 1946, when the current phase of the Indo-Chinese struggle broke out in a night of horror in Hanoi, Ho was said to have about 100,000 men under arms. Carrying on a hit-and-run fight in the hills and jungles and clever sabotage in the cities—including Saigon, the capital—they have proved too much for 100,000 or more French and Colonial troops, including the hardbitten Foreign Legion.

Dr. Ho, who was very ill when last interviewed a few days before the Hanoi outbreak, abolished the Indo-Chinese Communist party, but some of the same group returned to prominence as the Tong Bo, or Central Committee, of his Viet Minh party. It has been said that Ho, whose sincerity as a Nationalist is undoubted, is a virtual prisoner of this Communist group.

In the areas they control, they seem to be running a going government, able to obtain plenty of arms. Presumably, they will now get more from Communist China. This will be a serious development for Bao Dai and the French if the shipments include artillery, which the Viet Minh now lacks.

Having decided that Ho could not be dealt with, the French chose to negotiate with Bao Dai, who had abdicated as Emperor of Annam when Dr. Ho proclaimed his republic. He first worked with Ho, but afterward he went into exile in Hong Kong.

Return of Bao Dai

Bao Dai was brought back to Saigon with the support of monarchists and his fellow-Catholics. Perhaps to the surprise of the French, he turned out to be fairly independent - minded and he finally accepted the position of "head of state" of Viet Nam on pretty much his own terms. His territory, which is all of Cochin China, Annam and Tonkin, with the exception of Ho's holdings, includes Indo-China's principal rice-growing area.

The former emperor has an army of about 40,000 men, who recently have been placed in the front lines by the French. They found that the villagers were inclined to accept Bao Dai's regime when it was proffered to them by their own countrymen.

The French, in a remarkable political turnabout, have now granted Bao Dai's Viet Nam full self-government, though they retain supervisory capacities, command the army and conduct foreign affairs with Bao Dai's consent.

The new State is described as a free partner in the French Union, and the French are pushing for full recognition by other powers of Viet Nam as a sovereign nation.

Neutral observers judge that Bao Dai has a fifty-fifty chance of pulling most of the country with him. The British, in particular, are pressing for foreign support of his anti-Communist regime in the form of diplomatic recognition.

But it does not look as though the British are going to get any support from India in backing Bao Dai until the situation in Indo-China is clarified. Prime Minister Nehru of India is loath to recognize any government of Indo-China until it is plainly in full control of the country and has the genuine support of the people.

Other non-Communist countries of Asia seem inclined to follow Nehru's lead in this matter. The key to their attitude is a suspicion that Bao Dai is a tool of the French and that his regime is colonialism in another guise. There is no disposition to recognise Ho and thereby bring Communism closer to their own borders, but sentiment and local political considerations weigh against acceptance of a nationalism of which they are not sure.

Textile industry squeezed

New York, February 26.

Soaring Australian wool prices are squeezing the American textile industry and threatening hopes for cheaper clothing.

The raw wool that goes into a suit is only a small part of the garment's cost—US$5.45 on a US$50 suit—but it is an important part.

Prices are moving higher at the auctions in Australia, where most of the world's apparel wool is grown, and American mills must soon come to the end of raw wools they bought at lower costs.

Wool prices will tend to stay at high levels, said Morris Pendleton, President of American Woollen Company, because the stocks of fine wools held by the British Government and the Commodity Credit Corporation are dwindling fast.

The mills of the world are coming to the last of wool supplies they bought at lower prices. In addition, the demand for fine wool is increasing and production is slipping.

Despite the loss of 25,000,000 head of apparel wool-producing sheep by drought, Australia still remains the largest source for the fine wools the world wants.

That brings European, British, Russian and Japanese buyers to the Australia auctions to compete with American purchasers.—Associated Press.

CHANGE OF SEX CASE IN JAPAN

Tokyo, February 27.

The Japanese conservative newspaper "Asahi," today described the case of a girl who turned into a boy and was turned back to a girl by a medical operation.

At 19 years of age the girl suddenly started to develop manly characteristics.

She decided to commit suicide, but was persuaded to visit a Nagoya University doctor.

After an operation her feminine characteristics returned.

The doctor said he would soon announce the results of the experiment to the world in a medical paper.—Reuter.

NORWAY'S DEFENCE

Oslo, February 26.

Norway must base her defence calculations on a defensive force strong enough to hold off an aggressor until aid arrives from some great outside power, according to Trygve Bratteli, chairman of the Norwegian Defence Commission.

He told the Association of Norwegian Students last night that Norway could not raise a military force which would be able to ward off any attack from outside.

He went on to say that U.S. aid under the arms aid agreement would provide a great help in solving Norway's military problems.—Associated Press.

ALLOCATED FOR REPARATIONS

Frankfurt, February 26.

About 7,000,000 tons of plant and equipment in the British Zone of Germany worth 500 million pre-war Deutsche marks have been allocated for reparations.

Only 103,000 tons now remain to be allocated and the Inter-Allied Reparations Agency expects to clear this by the middle of next month according to the British Control Commission.

Of 477 units of allocation in the British Zone, 377 have been completely dismantled. The average delivery of reparations to recipient nations up to six months ago was 14,000 tons a month but since then the procedure has been immensely speeded up and in January the amount despatched reached 90,000 tons.—Reuter.

His favourite...

Here is a photograph of Generalissimo Joseph Stalin—a favourite election picture. The photograph shows the Generalissimo at his desk in the Kremlin. He is wearing a plain tunic and matching trousers which are tucked into a pair of soft leather boots. The caption issued with the photograph reads "J. V. Stalin— the first all people's candidates for Deputy to the Supreme Soviet of the USSR." Stalin has been nominated by scores of electorial districts all over the Soviet Union. (Associated Press Photo).

Squeeze tactics by satellite nations

London, February 26.

Britain will resist as long as possible manoeuvres by the Eastern European satellites to squeeze Western representatives from behind the Iron Curtain.

However, a reduction in the size of diplomatic units in Eastern and Central European countries is believed to be unavoidable and a marked reduction in trade contacts with the Eastern European states is also expected as a result of their increasing self-imposed isolation.

The latest moves on the part of Bulgaria, Hungary and Poland against Western representatives are part of an overall plan to get rid of foreign observers inside the Iron Curtain and reduce contacts of their representatives abroad to a minimum.

To experts on Eastern European affairs it is apparent that the moves were initiated by Moscow because:

1. Recent resignations from the staffs of Eastern European Legations in the West have become too frequent and therefore embarrassing to the Communist regimes of the satellites. Practically every one of the satellites has in the past 12 months lost diplomats, serving abroad, who preferred to go into exile rather than return to their homes.

2. Moscow fears that the Legations of satellite countries abroad may serve as channels of unprotected contacts with the West and turn into centres of possible Titoism in the countries they represent.

3. The Kremlin wants the least possible independent moves on the part of some of the satellites through their representatives in the capitals of Western democracies.

4. **Russia fears that supervision of foreign diplomats in the capitals of the satellites lacks thoroughness and that foreign observers may report too freely their impressions and collect information on internal developments, above all on Soviet penetration.**

Russia is believed to have instructed her satellites to squeeze out Western representatives under the cloak of charges of espionage or by linking foreign diplomats with espionage trials. This coincides with reports this week that Poland had curtailed the freedom of movement of foreign military attaches.

The elimination campaign is no longer restricted to diplomats and journalists, but has been extended to businessmen.

The satellites, which had hitherto been anxious to maintain and even expand trade relations with the West, are increasingly reluctant to grant entry permits even to business representatives of firms with which they are in contact.

Businessmen who returned from behind the Iron Curtain recently complained that contacts with nationals of countries they visited and even with their opposite numbers had cooled noticeably since last year and private and social contacts had practically been reduced to nil.—United Press.

Bomb throwing continues in Asmara

Asmara, February 26.

Looting, fires and bomb throwing continue in the native sectors of Asmara during the curfew-free hours.

A hand grenade thrown at the Fire Brigade did not explode last night. The Brigade has been threatened by hooligans.

The police have found 90 unexploded Hand grenades since the beginning of the incidents last Tuesday.

The United Nations Commission is continuing hearings of the evidence of different Eritrean political parties.—Associated Press.

HALF A MILLION MEN OUT

Pittsburg, February 26.

More than 500,000 American workers will be idle tomorrow when the coal miners' strike enters its third week.

The 372,000 striking miners show no sign of ending their definance of the Government and their Union President, Mr. John L. Lewis, by returning to the pits.

About 180,000 other workers will be out of work in industries which depend on coal for continued production, as the nation's fuel stock-pile nears vanishing point.

Mr. John D. Battle, Executive Secretary of the National Coal Association, declared, "One more week of this and it will be simply chaos."

Since the beginning of the year thousands of miners each week have been idle in periodic walkouts that finally became a major strike over the question of new contracts.

In Washington, Government mediators today met representatives of the United Mineworker's Union and the soft coal mine owners in a desperate effort to reach an agreement to end the strike before the Federal Court sits tomorrow.

The Union is due to be tried on contempt of court charge tomorrow because the miners ignored a back-to-work order issued on February 11.

After two and a half hours of talks today, the negotiators would not indicate whether any progress had been made.—Reuter.

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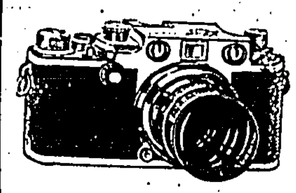
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DEATH OF SIR HARRY LAUDER

London, February 26.

Sir Harry Lauder, the famous Scottish comedian, died tonight. Sir Harry, who was 79, had been ill since August.

The little dynamic comedian with the stout heart rose from a nine shillings a week job in the pits to become Britain's highest paid music hall entertainer.

For a long time he was on the brink of death, but about three months ago he rallied for a time. He spent his last Christmas in the bedside company of his niece, Greta, and his old friend, Dr. John Stewart. Sir Harry was Dr. Stewart's last patient. The doctor came out of retirement to care for his friend and went to live with him.—Reuter.

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So the wee man's gone. Yon cheerful cocksparrow wi' the reid face (he liked his dram), an' the bandy laigs, an' that glaikit back view when he birled his kilt as the curtain an' the glims went up, to a throaty Portobello voice singing "Roamin' in the Gloamin."

We'll nae forget ye, Harry, nor will a' the world, which ye toured so often, breakin' in on yer Loch Lomond song wi' that chuckle that wis a' yer ain, an' tellin' the people doon front some airy-fairy story about how ye'd cuddled some lassie at Brodick or Ro'say, an' ye in yer seventies, too, although ye didna look it.

Aye, there maybe wasna a more weel-kent Scot onywhere than oor Harry, or a better liked one, forbye. He started as a millboy, among a' that stoor, an' then he had it worse in the pits, but frae whit ma faither said, it was worst of a' when he went on the stage, wi' a' that baccy smoke.

Had it in him

But he jist had it in him to mak' the folk laugh an' mak' them feel guid, an' he could get them a' singin' the auld tunes like nae body's business. He even made the King an' Queen laugh and clap, monny's the time. An' in a lot of far-off places, even Australia so they say, he had not only the Scots but a crowd o' Sassenachs an' more outlandish folks wipin' a tear frae their e'en afore he'd finished his turn.

I'm thinkin' there's a lot o' folks a' ower the world what ken "Roamin' in the Gloamin'—wi' a lassie by yer side," an' "It's nice to get up in the mornin'—but it's nicer to lie in yer bed."

Weel, ye've gane to yer ain rest, Harry, but ye'll live on in the minds of a' of us wha saw ye, an' yer tunes will go on roon' for a lang, lang time to come.

ISRAEL'S APPEAL FOR ARMS

Washington, February 26.

Israel has appealed to the United States and Britain for arms and military equipment for her army and air force, diplomatic officials here disclosed today.

The Israel ambassadors here and in London are stated to have presented a detailed request to the State Department and the Foreign Office.

Senior State Department officials said a formal American reply to Israel's request had been drafted after consultation with Britain.

Officials indicated that before sending any American arms to Israel the State Department would ask for full details of the equipment of Israel's armed forces with assurances that they would be used only for self-defence.

Israeli officials have declined to give the United States or Britain such detailed information, the officials added.

Most of the Israeli armed forces' present supplies were bought in Czechoslovakia and other countries during the war in Palestine.

Diplomatic officials said that Israel had given no indication as to how it would pay for any American arms received.

The Export-Import Bank granted her a $100,000,000 loan last year but this was allocated for development and recovery projects.—Reuter.

Sinister murder plot theory

Alexander City, Alabama, February 26.

The nude and hooded body of an elderly woman fished from Lake Martin confronted the police today with a sinister murder plot which, they fear, has claimed more than one victim.

"There may be another body in there," said Deputy Sheriff J. L. Ingram. He explained that blood-stains found on the highway bridge railing near the body's location did not match the woman's blood in tentative tests.

The woman had been shot three times with a .38 calibre weapon. Any of the shots was enough to kill her. She also had been clubbed on the head.

There was no immediate clue as to who she was. She wore only stockings and shoes. Ingram estimated that she was 65 to 70 years old.

The woman had been in the water about two days, a State toxicologist estimated.

A gag, apparently made from a scrap of her dress, had been thrust into her mouth. A hood, made from an undergarment, had been pulled over her face and knotted about her throat.—United Press.

NEW CABINET FORMED IN IRAN

Teheran, February 26.

The Iran Premier, Mohammed Saed, presented his new Cabinet to the Shah today after resigning yesterday.

The Cabinet, composed of the previous members with the addition of two newcomers, is:

Ibrahim Zand, Minister of Interior.

Hossein Ala, Minister of Foreign Affairs, a former Iranian Ambassador in Washington.

Dr. Mohammed Nakhaie, Minister of Labour, formerly Minister of Agriculture.

Assodulla Alam, Minister of Agriculture, formerly Minister of Interior.

Other posts remain unchanged. The Minister of Communications will be appointed later.—Associated Press.

SIAMESE KING ON WAY HOME

Lausanne, February 26.

King Phumiphon Aduldet, of Siam, left here by train tonight on the first stage of his journey to Bangkok for his coronation.

Many Swiss officials and friends saw the young monarch off at Lausanne, where he has been completing his education. He will sail from Villefranche, in the Danish liner Selandia. A special sleeping car is being attached to the Genova-Nice Express tonight.—Reuter.

Bengal riots continuing

Calcutta, February 26.

Spreading riots continued today, accompanied by a spate of rumours from the latest communal disturbance areas of Jalpaiguri in Northern West Bengal and Barisal in East Pakistan.

Excited Sunday crowds besieged the railway station here, meeting trains arriving from the affected districts. The police cleared away the crowds and cordoned the stations.

One train arrived with two empty, bloodstained carriages. Several incidents were reported from the outlying parts of the city, while the central area was quiet and somewhat deserted.

It was reported that at least two persons were killed and about half a dozen injured here.—United Press.

TRAWLER SAFE

Grimsby, February 26.

Watch by planes and ships for the overdue British trawler Isernia, 580 tons, was called off tonight after her skipper radioed a message to the owners.

He reported storm damage and asked for the help of a tug when docking at Grimsby. The Skipper said that the Isernia's bridge, chart room and radio room had been smashed.

The trawler, which left Norway last Monday, was 24 hours overdue today. Last radio contact with her was on Tuesday. She has a crew of 24.—Associated Press.

BULGAR SLANDER CAMPAIGN

Trieste, February 26.

Mr. Donald Heath, the United States Minister to Sofia, who is returning home after the break in diplomatic relations between his country and Bulgaria, arrived here today by train with 49 members of his staff.

Mr. Heath said on his arrival: "A campaign of slander and persecution resulted in the United States-Bulgarian break. I have a feeling that the Bulgarians are unhappy that this had to happen but there was no alternative."

Mr. Heath said that all the Legation staff and their dependents were on board the train. He added that there were still about 60 American citizens in Bulgaria, about half of them of dual nationality.

Allied Military Government personnel and Mr. Thomas Judd, the United States Political Adviser here, greeted Mr. Heath's arrival.—Reuter.

NATIONALISTS IN INDO-CHINA

Paris, February 26.

Eleven hundred Chinese Nationalist soldiers, interned in Indo-China, passed through Hanoi today on the way to Haiphong, the French Press Agency reported.

They come from a temporary internment camp at Tong, North West of Hanoi, and are (to be) shipped to a camp at Can Ranh, in Southern Annam.—Reuter.

NEW ELECTORAL LAW WANTED

Paris, February 26.

The National Council of the French Socialist Party today passed a resolution asking for a New French electoral law to replace the present system of proportional representation.

The resolution called for a law inspired by the majority system making an alliance between Republican forces possible. The present system favours, and is supported by, the MRP (Popular Republicans) and the Communists, who between them have a majority in the Assembly.

The Socialists also voted that all light should be thrown on the "affair of the generals." Socialists will continue not to hold posts in the French Cabinet, the Council decided. Finally the Council recommended a truce in Indo-China followed either by an armistice or an appeal to an international authority to establish peace in the country.—Reuter.

FRANCE FACES WEEK OF STRIKE BALLOTS

Paris, February 26.

France today faces a week of strike ballots. The wages strike of Paris region metal workers threatened to spread to other industries and other parts of the country.

The metal workers are due to vote for or against strike action tomorrow in Marseilles, Lyons, where the Union has already decided to come out for an indefinite period, Montbeliard and Elfort.

In the Paris region, where armed Republican security guards are occupying the strike-bound Ford and Renault motor works, the Communist Sunday newspaper, "Le Soir," estimated that 150,000 metal workers are out in 200 factories.

Voting on a proposed total stoppage in the nationalised gas and electricity industries and the Paris Metro (Underground) and bus services will also take place tomorrow.

The Communist-led Paris underground union said that 90 per cent of its members in maintenance shops had already voted to strike, but the operating staffs do not begin voting until tomorrow, and the ballot is not expected to be complete before Tuesday.

Employees of the National Theatres (which include the Comedie Francaise and the Paris Opera House) expect the Ministry of Education to reply on Tuesday to their demand for a provisional bonus.

In case of a refusal their union leaders will meet on the same day to decide on future action.

Catholic textile and metal workers Unions in Lille, Northern France, rejected as insufficient the employers' offer of an eight per cent wage rise, and the autonomous printers' union called for a national "interprofessional" strike in support of its wage claims.

Bonus claims

All the workers now striking or voting are claiming wage increases and most claim a 3,000-francs a month provisional bonus pending the negotiation of agreements.

The claims follow the passage last month of the law restoring collective bargaining, which had been suspended in France since 1939.

A decree setting up national and regional Conciliation Commissions, a recourse which is compulsory under the collective bargaining law, was published in the Journal Official today.

The Commissions will each consist of three employers' and three workers' representatives, with a representative of the Labour Ministry as chairman.

When the Commissions reach agreed conclusions, these will be binding on the parties.

A decree to set up an optional arbitration board is expected during the week.—Reuter.

TROUBLE ON ORAN DOCKS

Oran, February 26.

Four policemen and five dockers were injured in a scuffle on the Oran docks yesterday between police and striking members of the Communist-dominated General Labour Confederation (CGT) Dock Workers' Union.

One Communist Party leader and two officials of the CGT Union were detained for questioning.

Trouble broke out when CGT members tried to prevent non-Union dockers from handling ships. The CGT members were also protesting against the withdrawal of work cards from dockers who have refused to work on certain ships.

The Communists have been trying to prevent the shipment of supplies to French troops in Indo-China.—Associated Press.

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NEW DRUG FOUND TO COMBAT TB MENACE

New York, February 27.

Hundreds of tuberculosis patients will be treated this year with a new drug, born in Germany, and called TB-1.

It has been given to 7,000 persons in Germany in the last two years, and credited with many good effects. American doctors are just beginning trials to learn what it may do.

Their tests will take about a year, but they have good reasons for hoping that TB-1 will become another major weapon against tuberculosis.

The hopes are based on the results in Germany, studied last autumn by Dr. H. Corwin Hinshaw of Stanford University, and Dr. Walsh McDermott of the New York Hospital—Cornell Medical College.

German doctors reported remarkable recoveries of many patients with lung TB after getting TB-1 pills along with rest in bed for four to six months.

This is exciting because lung TB is the hardest type to cure with present drugs. But TB-1 was used at a time when the German people began getting better food and care. So there is a question how much the recoveries were due to better living, and how much to the drug. TB-1 also was not as dependable or as quick in action against tuberculosis as streptomycin, German doctors said.

One big hope is that TB-1 will be a helpmate for streptomycin in fighting lung TB. Streptomycin usually loses its power after a few weeks or months.

Different germs

What happens is this: There may be billions of TB germs in the lungs, most of them exactly alike. They reproduce rapidly. Streptomycin hits most of them, slowing or stopping their growth.

But some of the germs are different. They vary from normal, like humans born with one eye, or three legs. They are what geneticists call mutants. One or more of these altered breeds of germs apparently are not affected by the drug and are able to produce more and more germs just like themselves. After a time, there are billions of altered germs that resist streptomycin.

But these altered bugs may be vulnerable to a different drug. Doctors already have one such drug, para-amino-salicylic acid, or pas for short. It can be given after streptomycin stops working. Or pas can be started early, along with streptomycin, to hold down growth of the altered bugs. This double treatment often makes streptomycin effective for months longer, giving the patient a better chance to recover.

TB-1 may be particularly useful in this partnership. German reports indicate the TB germs do not develop resistance to it. TB-1 might also be helpful in chronic or long-lasting cases.

New drug family

The tests here will study how much TB-1 should be given, whether it produces any harmful effects itself, and what it does against other forms of tuberculosis. In Germany it was reported to be very effective against TB of the larynx, intestines and genito urinary tract. It did not seem to have much effect against military (generalised) TB, or tuberculosis affecting the brain or spinal cord.

Dr. Hinshaw and Dr. McDermott went to Germany as consultants for Schenley Laboratories, Inc., which is making the drug available for some studies in the U.S. under name tibione.

TB-1 belongs to an entirely new family of drugs, known as thiosemicar-bazones. Its anti-TB effects were discovered by Professor Gerhard Domack, Nobel prize winner for development of the sulfa drugs. It may be the forerunner of even better drugs from the same chemical family.—Associated Press.

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Gold found on pilots confiscated

Six hundred taels of gold, valued at $186,000, seized by revenue officers at Kai Tak Airport from the pilot and co-pilot of a Pacific Overseas Airways, Siam, plane on Sunday morning, were ordered to be confiscated by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday, when the flyers failed to answer a charge of attempting to export gold without a permit.

The pilot D.F. Fowler and co-pilot S.D. Christy, also had their bail of $10 each estreated.

It was stated that the flyers each had 60 bars of gold strapped to their bodies when they were searched by revenue officers. After putting up their bail the pilots continued their flight to Bangkok.

Revenue Inspector F. Fowler made the application for the confiscation of the gold.

Court Brevities

A 23-year-old private of the Hong Kong Training Unit, Reggie Coelho, was charged before Mr. Thomas Tam at Central yesterday with unlawfully assaulting Nia Khan, aged 52, watchman of the East Point Amusement Park at 11 p.m. on Saturday.

Coelho pleaded guilty but accused Nia of striking him first.

He was cautioned and ordered to pay $5 compensation to Nia.

Inspector Wheeler said that the defendant had used a belt in striking the complainant. There had been ill-feeling between the two since four months ago when the complainant had refused to allow the defendant to enter the Park without paying.

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Pleading guilty to charges of assaulting the Police and using obscene language in the Eastern Police Station on Saturday, 20-year-old Albert Fox of HMS Comus was fined a total of $75 by Mr Thomas Tam at Central yesterday.

Assistant Superintendent W. Segrue said that Fox entered the Members Stand at the Hong Kong Jockey Club on Saturday afternoon. When asked to leave by Mr. Segrue, the defendant refused and had to be escorted out.

While being taken from the Members Stand the defendant struggled and knocked Sub-Inspector A. J. Devereux to the ground. Fox was then taken to the Eastern Police Station and when asked for his name used obscene language in answering.

SAWMILL CLOSED

Dar-es-Salaam, February 26.

A sawmill intended to be the biggest in Africa and capable of producing 40 prefabricated houses a day is being closed by the Overseas Food Corporation at Nolli, 30 miles from Nachingwea in the Southern province of the groundnuts area.

Local tenders have been invited for the construction of 300 houses, to be built with ordinary materials available in the region which it has been discovered, will be much cheaper.—Associated Press.

FRESH FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices realised at the Hong Kong Fish Wholesale Market, Kennedy Town, on Sunday were:—

	First quality price a catty	Average price a catty
Macao Sole (large)	$2.05	$1.86
" (small)	1.45	1.16
Golden Thread	1.75	1.55
Horse Head (large)	1.90	1.60
" (small)	1.50	1.45
Conger Pike	1.77	1.55
Hair Tail	1.05	99

Yesterday's prices were:—

Other Grouper	$2.50	$2.11
Gingo Fish	2.11	2.00
Golden Thread	1.51	1.44
Horse Head (large)	1.72	1.45
" (small)	1.45	1.37
Conger Pike	1.56	1.50
Red Sea Bream (large)	1.40	1.24
Hair Tail	1.01	1.00

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 25

Vocabulary:

120. (shai) shai(2) — To spend. To use. To send.
121. (me) meh(1) — Necessary. Need.

An interrogative final sound, expressing surprise.

Questions and Answers:

A. 1. Shai(2) (1)m shai(2)? — Is it necessary? Is it needed?
2. Yeeoo(3). — Yes. It is necessary. It is needed.
3. (1)m shai(2). — No. It is not necessary. There is no need. Do not bother.

B. 1. Shai(2) (1)m shai(2) tseen(2)? — Is it free of charge? Is it necessary to pay for it?
2. Yeeoo(3) tseen(2). — Money is required. It is necessary to pay for it.
3. (1)m shai(2) tseen(2). — It is free of charge. There is no need of money.

C. 1. Shai(2) (1)me shai(2) (3)wah-(2)kiu-jee(1)? — Is it necessary to tell him?
2. Yeeoo(3) (3)wah-(2)kui-jee(1). — He must be told.
3. (1)m shai(2) (3)wah-(2)kui-jee(1). — It is not necessary to tell him.

General Expressions:

33. Fong(3) gah(3). — To give or have a holiday. To be on vacation.
34. (1)m duk(1) (1)haan. — Busy. (not to have leisure)

Examples:

1. (3)Yut-(3)yut doh(1) yeeoo(3) shai(2) tseen(2). — One must spend money everyday.
2. Shai(2)-(1)yun-hui(3) geeoo(3)-(2)kui-(1)lai. — Send for him.
3. Been(1)-gaw(3) shai(2)-(2)kui-hui(3) (3)Shering-hoy(2) neh(1)? — Who is sending him to Shanghai?
4. (2)Ngaw shai(2)-(2)kui-hui(3) (3)Shering-hoy(2). — I'm sending him to Shanghai.

Conversation:

1. A. (2)Nay (1)m-shai(2) faan(1)-goong(1) meh(1)? — Don't you have to go back to work?
2. B. Gum(1)-(3)yut gah(3) (1)m shai(2) faan(1)-goong(1). — There is no need to go back to work.
3. A. (2)Nay duk(1)-(1)haan, (1)toong (2)ngaw dah(2)-dee(1)-(3)dzee duk(1) (1)m duk(1) ah(3)? — Since you are not busy, can you type something for me?
4. (2)Ngaw yeeoo(3) hui(3) geen(3)-goong(1), (1)m duk (1)-(1)haan dah(2) — I have to go to be interviewed for a job and am too busy to type.
5. B. Dah(2) mee(1)-(2)yeh ((3)dzee) neh(1)? — What have you to type?
6. (1)M-goy(1) (2)nay bay(2)-(2)ngaw-tai(2)-(2)hah lah(1). — Please let me see it.
7. (2)Nay hui(3) geen(3) mee(1)-(2)yeh goong(1) ah(3)? — What job is it that you are going to be interviewed for?
8. A. (2)Yau (yut(1))-gaan(1) (1)ngun-(1)hong serng(2) tseng(2) yut(1)-gaw(3) dah(2)-jee(2). — A bank wants to employ a typist.
9. B. Shai(2) (1)m shai(2) (2)ngay (1)toong (2)nay hui(3) am(3)? — Is it necessary for me to go with you?
10. A. (1)M shai(2) lok(3). — There is no need.
11. (1)M-goy(1) lok(3). — Thank you.
12. (2)Ngaw yut(1)-gaw(3) (1)yun hui(3) duk(1) lok(3). — It's all right for me to be alone.
13. B. Taing(3) faan(1)-(1)lai (2)kuk-(3)faan lah(1)! — Please come back for dinner!
14. A. (1)M shai(2) lok(1). — Don't bother.
15. Daw(1)-(3)thah lok(3). — Thank you.

Jockeys go into training

London, February 26.

With only three weeks to the opening of the flat racing season in England on March 16, jockeys are tackling the problem of shedding the extra weight which has accumulated during their period of inactivity.

Gordon Richards, who will be attempting to become the champion jockey for the 23rd time, is 11 pounds over the mark he has set himself. Stepping on the scales after several weeks of winter sports in Switzerland, Richards turned the pointer to eight stone, 12 pounds. "I shall be down to eight stone, one pound in time for the Lincolnshire," said the champion, who added that he would rely on plenty of roadwork and gymnasium exercises.

Richards, like most flat race jockeys, prefers strenuous exercises to Turkish baths for reducing weight. The "hot" room method is used only when a jockey wants to get off two or three pounds quickly and temporarily. Most of them find that weight lost quickly in a Turkish bath returns just as rapidly.

Increasing weight was a great worry to the former Royal jockey, Joe Childs, towards the end of his career. It was his practice to walk the last few miles to meetings, wearing heavy clothes and gloves, whatever the weather. This exercise helped to keep him slim.—Reuter.

"OLYMPICS" IN GUATEMALA

Guatemala, February 26.

The sixth Central American and Caribbean "Olympic" Games were opened here by the President of Guatemala, Senor Juan Jose Arevalo.

In a ceremony closely resembling that of the world Olympics, about 2,000 athletes from 14 countries and islands—including Curacao, Jamaica and Trinidad—marched into Guatemala's newly-completed "Stadium of the Revolution."

The Games were formally declared open when a runner with a symbolic torch arrived at the Stadium. Every seat of the 50,000-capacity Stadium was filled.—Reuter.

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12.25—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
12.32—Pearl Bailey and Her Charioteers.
12.45—London Studio Melodies—The Melachrino Orch. (BBCTS)
1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.26—Interlude.
1.30—"Orchestra of the Week"—Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.
2.00—Close Down.
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.
6.02—"It's Swing Time."
6.30—"Cantonese by Radio"—Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and S. K. Lee. (Studio)
6.50—London Promenade Orchestra.
7.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)
7.15—"Letter from America" by Alistair Cooke. (London Relay Recorded)
7.30—"Jolson Sings Again"—Presented by Aileen Woods. (Studio)
8.00—"From the Editorials." (London Relay)
8.10—"Box 200"—Bert Gillette at the Hammond Organ.
8.30—"The Blue Danube"—The True Story of the Strauss Family and their Contemporaries. (Ep. 41).
9.00—"Forum of the Air"—Team: Phillipa Coombes, P.S.C. Cassidy, Rev. Father T. Sheridan, S. J. Guest: Leslie Smith. Question Master: Norman Tucker. (Studio)
9.30—Interlude.
9.40—Piano Recital by Miss Wong Kuk Ying. (Studio)
10.00—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)
10.15—Weather Report.
10.16—Light Symphony Orchestra.
10.30—Josephine Bradley and Her Ballroom Orchestra.
10.45—"Come into the Parlour"—Music and Song from Northern Ireland (BBCTS)
11.15—Weather Report, World News and Home News from Britain. (London Relay Recorded)
God Save the King.
11.30—Close Down.

SKI TOURNEY IN CANADA

Banff (Alberta), February 26.

Dagmar Rom, 21-year-old Austrian, today won the North American Women's Slalom title with two runs of 54.3 secs. down the half-mile course.

Her unofficial time was 4.3 secs. faster than that of the runner-up, Erika Mahringer, also of Austria.

Miss Rom won the World Slalom and Slalom Championships at Aspen (Colorado) last month.

The United States produced a surprise win in the Downshill Ski Championships when the usually invincible European skiers bowed to Miss Janette Burr in the women's event.

Krika Mahringer, of Austria, was second and Dagmar Rom, also of Austria, who won both the giant slalom and slalom world titles last week, was fourth, behind Canada's Sandra Tomlinson.

Trude Zeise-Jochum, of Austria, who won the world's downhill crown at Aspen, tore a muscle in her leg on Friday while training over the men's course and could not compete.—Reuter.

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FLAG DISCRIMINATION ATTACKED BY CHAMBER

London, February 27.

Flag discrimination, as opposed to free competition in the carrying of the world's cargoes was condemned by the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom in its annual report published today.

"One of the worst features of the general economic deterioration, coupled with the intervention of Governments in the buying and selling of commodities, has been the incentive which economic necessity has given to the recrudescence of flag discrimination and the intricate growth of currency restrictions," the Chamber said.

"More and more the tendency has developed for countries to claim a proportion of their imports and exports for their national vessels and to exclude free competition of other flags.

"Such nationalistic aspirations by relatively small maritime countries have been greatly encouraged by United States shipping policy."

"Multiple currency restrictions, the most irritating and intractable of trade barriers, with which the Chamber has had to deal during the year, effectively prevent the re-establishment of a free and open freight market and lead inevitably to flag discrimination."

"Devaluation of Sterling had had an instant effect on shipping, which was peculiarly sensitive to exchange movements, the report said.

The full effects were so far-reaching that it is impossible to isolate them. It will only be possible to assess them by examining the trade trends of the world as they become known."

UK fleet

The Chamber reported that the United Kingdom's merchant fleet has been restored to its pre-war tonnage.

Without giving figures, the report said that about half of the merchant fleet afloat in 1939 was lost through enemy action during the war. It said that the fleet's restoration within four and a half years of the war's end was a remarkable achievement by the shipbuilding industry.

"In 1945 the net gap in the United Kingdom's tonnage, which had to be made good, was more than 3,500,000 gross tons," the Chamber said.

While tonnage destoyed by enemy bombers, submarines and war vessels has been recovered, there are many old ships in the merchant fleet today, the report said.

"More than one-quarter of the foreign liner tonnage and one-fifth of the foreign-going tramp tonnage is now more than 20 years old," the Chamber said.

"While it is true that 20 years is not necessarily the span of a vessel's useful life, it is clear that a substantial amount of this older tonnage has reached a stage where replacement is becoming a matter of urgency."—Reuter and Associated Press.

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

There is a certain amount of business passing.

The impression left is that buyers are soon satisfied, or are waiting for cheaper offerings.

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Trade fair in America

Chicago, February 26.

The lure of American dollars is drawing manufacturers from many parts of the world to the First United States International Trade Fair, to be held in Chicago from August 7-19.

Government trade officials in many nations are urging their business firms to participate. They consider the Fair a quick and economical way to enter the American market and establish dollar credits.

Of space reserved so far, 40 per cent is for finished consumer merchandise, 10 per cent for textiles, 12 per cent for foodstuffs, 18 per cent for machinery and equipment, five per cent for chemicals and raw materials and 15 per cent for travel, information and miscellaneous groups.

Two-thirds of the space is allotted to foreign exhibitors. To reduce red tape and speed shipments of exhibits, special legislation is to be asked in Congress to ease the problems of foreign producers.

Government experts in foreign commerce and tariff problems, banking experts and interpreters will attend the fair and help foreign exhibitors and visitors.

France has cabled for between 30,000 and 40,000 square feet of space. It will concentrate on luxury items.

British firms lead individual applications for exhibition space.

They include manufacturers of textiles, plastic products, foods, beverages, leather goods and submersible pumps. The British Government plans a travel information display.

Handicraft articles dominate exhibits planned by firms in India, Japan and the Near East.—Associated Press.

U.S. WORKLESS

Washington, February 26.

America's unemployed reached a post-war record figure of 4,500,000 in January, the Labour Department reported.

This figure—seven per cent of the nation's civilian work force—compared with four and a half per cent or 3,500,000 in January, 1949.—Associated Press.

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Hong Kong, February 27, 1950.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per

STATES STEAMSHIP COMPANY

s.s. "MONTANA"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at consignees risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 10 a.m. on March 1, 1950.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after March 2, 1950 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before March 3, 1950 or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
Agents.

Hong Kong, February 25, 1950.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees Per

s.s. "BENAVON"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke, at 10 a.m. on March 3, 1950.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted, after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after March 4, 1950, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before March 18, 1950, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA), LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, February 27, 1950.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

From CALCUTTA, RANGOON & STRAITS

Consignees per ship

m.s. "SIRDHANA"

are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., where it will lie at consignees' risk and expense and subject to terms and conditions of storage of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. The cargo is expected to be ready for delivery from the Godown on and after February 28, 1950.

Cargo is considered as being accepted in good order and condition by consignees, unless broken, chafed and damaged packages are left in the Godown for subsequent examination by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of consignees, at 10 a.m. on March 5, 1950.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulation, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when dutiable goods are examined.

All damaged cargo claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before March 21, 1950, or they will not be recognised.

No fire insurance will be effected.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have been taken delivery of ex ship's side or alternatively ex the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s premises unless a joint survey has previously been effected.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.
Agents.
B.I.S.N. Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, February 26, 1950.

EXPERT'S HINT ON INFLATION

Washington, February 26.

A World Monetary Fund report hinted that many countries face further inflation.

Controls over consumer buying and foreign trade will not alone hold inflationary forces in check until they can be wiped out or worked off, it said.

The report, prepared by the Fund's chief, Mr. E. M. Bernstein, a former United States Treasury official, said, "It should be possible four years after the war to bring the generation of additional inflation to a halt.

"The immediate and urgent outlay and investment to a level appropriate to the available output, so that they will not add to the latent inflation," the report said.

The report declared that in many countries pressures are so strong that sudden dropping of controls would result in such a considerable rise in prices that some Governments will feel that they simply cannot accept such a policy.

"But the prospect of wiping out or working off latent inflation in any moderate period of time is very slight.

"The continuance of controls on consumption for a minimum of five to 10 years and perhaps even longer, which may be necessary to work off latent inflation, is an unpleasant prospect for people to whom the free use of income has already been denied for a decade," the report added.

"It is not unlikely that at some stage public opinion will prefer at least partial activation of latent inflation to continue submission to extended consumer controls."

The Bernstein report was one of a group of studies in the first number of a new publication issued by the Fund under the title of "Staff Papers."—Reuter.

Money Market

US dollars re-opened yesterday after the week-end at HK$6.50¼, and dropped to $6.49 in the afternoon. The closing rate was $6.49½.

TT dropped to HK$6.50 after opening at $6.52½.

Sterling was unchanged at HK$15.10, as also were Australian pounds at HK$13.40.

Piastres were again marked nominal at HK$14.60 a 100.

Ticals were unchanged at HK$28.50 a 100.

NEI Guilders opened at HK$-24.70 and closed at $25 a 100.

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"President Cleveland"	Arr. Apr. 14	Sails Apr. 15

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"President Madison"	Arr. Mar. 6	Sails Mar. 7
"President Pierce"	Arr. Mar. 11	Sails Mar. 12

TO NEW YORK, BALTIMORE & BOSTON via PACIFIC COAST & PANAMA

"Marine Snapper"	Arr. Mar. 10	Sails Mar. 20
"President Johnson"	Arr. Apr. 15	Sails Apr. 16

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"BENNEVIS"	"	" 30th Apr.
"BENGRUACHAN"	"	

SAILINGS

		Loading on or abt.
"BENNATOW" "BENVENUE"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.	21st Apr. 18th Mar.
†"BENVANNOCH" "BENNEVIS"	Genoa, Avonmouth, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.	24th Mar. 25th Apr.
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Doctor Lykes (APL) American 4539 tons ex-Pusan A.2
Fook Wah (Holly) Chinese 204 tons ex-Haiphong ..... Yau
Mui Nan (Ching Seng Horz) Norwegian 1405 ex-Singapore ..... H.O
Olga Maersk (Jebsen) Danish 3785 tons ex-Cebu ..... K.D.
San Antonio (Saigon SS) Philippine 1159 tons ex-Nagoya A.7
Taiwan (B & S) British 2160 tons ex-Pusan H.10

TODAY

Nikobar (E.A.) ex-Pacific Coast.
Oregon (Dodwell) ex-Pacific Coast.
Birdhanna (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta.

TOMORROW

Jacob Luckenbach (Gourlie) ex-Atlantic Coast.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Baluchistan (Jardine) for Nagoya.
Hoemakerk (RIL) for Manila.
Islas Visayas (Manners) for Swatow.
Seneca Castle (Texas) for Bahrein.

TODAY

Bennavon (Loxley) for Europe.
Boheme (Gilman) for Europe.
Doctor Lykes (APL) for Kidjang.
Eastern Venture (Metro) for Yokohama.
Port Charlotte (NSO) for Subic Bay.
Green Ranger (NSO) for Subic Bay.
Szechuen (B & S) for Bangkok.

TOMORROW

Eastern Saga (Jardine) for Japan.
Francheville (Bank) for Pacific Coast.
Hewsang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
Hunan (B & S) for Tientsin.
Oregon (Dodwell) for Pacific Coast.

Vessels In Port

A. Earhart (Mollers) ..... K.D.
Agathi (Loxley) ..... K.W
Alpha Orange (Trinity) ..... K.B.
Baralabas (Manners) ..... Yau
Benavon (Loxley) ..... KW
Boheme (Gilman) A.7
Bust (Larsen) ..... S.C.
C. H. Mackeel (RASC) ..... Yau.
Chengking (CMSN) ..... Yau.
Chee Hsing (Wallem) ..... Yau.
Chiao Jen (CMSN) ..... K.D.
Chong Tong (China SS) ..... O.B.
Chu Chiang (Ming Sung) ..... Yau.
Cloverlock (Holly) ..... Yau.
Colonial (Nclasco) ..... K. Bay
Colon (Colonial) ..... Yau.
Devonshire (STO) ..... K.W.
Dun Yu (CMSN) ..... Yau
Eastern Trader (G. Southern) B.6
Eastern Venture (Metro) B.11
Empire Park (Sam Kee) ..... Yau
Eastern Saga (Jardine) ..... KW
Esang (Jardine) B.15
Fook Wah (Holly) ..... Yau.
Fort Charlotte (NSO) ..... Buoy 17
Glenearn (Jardine) ..... Holts
Green Ranger (NSO) B.18
Grandview (Sansoon) ..... S.S. Po
Great Eagle (Colon) ..... Yau.
Hai Chung (Lee Bros.) ..... S.S. Po
Hai Hsia (CMSN) ..... S.S. Po
Hai Kang (CMSN) B.17
Hai Kin (Lee Bros.) ..... S.S. Po
Hai Nan (CMSN) ..... Yau.
Hangsang (Jardine) B.2
Hermod (Thoresen) P.8
Hewsang (Jardine) B.22
Hinghai (B & S) B.28
Hiram (Thor.) ..... Honghom Bay
Hock Lim (Eastern) ..... Yau.
Hudson (Tak Koo) ..... W.P.
Hunan (B & S) ..... B.C
Hung Cheng (CMSN) ..... Yau.
Inchmay (Williamson) ..... S.C.
Jeep Hee (Jebsahun) B.20
Jui Hsin (CM Trust) ..... S.C.
Jade Leaf (Carroll) ..... Wu.wh.
Lake Shawnigan (Eastern) ..... K.B
Lady-Wolmer (Roland)) ..... SC
Lee Che (Mingsung) ..... Yau.
Leong Dee (Roland) ..... Yau.
Lin Shen (Jebsahun) ..... Yau.
Lu Yi (BOTRA) ..... S.C.
Maldova (Maldo) ..... Yau.
Margaret Moller (Mollers) ..... K.D.
Marie Skou (Gilman) ..... W.D
Mei Foo (SVO) ..... LCK
Mei Ling (Botra) ..... Yau.
Ming (Kung Dak) ..... Yau.
Ming Chung ..... Yau.
Mui Nan (Ching Seng Horz) B.9
Mirama (Larsen) ..... K.B.
Nan Chiang (Eastern) ..... Yau.
Nan Hai (Ming Sung) ..... S.C.
Nellore (Mac Mac) ..... K.wh.
New World Victory (USL) A.5
Nu Chiang (Ming Sung) ..... CSW
Olga Maersk (Jebsen) ..... KB
Palcus (B & S) ..... Holts
Pei Ming (Yee Tai Hong) ..... Yau.
Pigneau De Behaine (MM) B.12
Poltava (Metro) B.18
Prince Salvor (Mollers) ..... K.D.
Produce (B & S) B.4
Pronto (Lee Bros) ..... Po Tak.
Ramona (Wallem) ..... Shasm.
Ridderkerk (RIL) A.11
Sabre Canim (Jardine) ..... T.D.
Sacramento (HKEB) ..... K.B.
Sargon (Eastern) ..... K.B.
San Antonio (Saigon) A.7
San Ernesto (Manners) ..... S.C.
San Gabriel (Manners) ..... S.C.
San Jeronimo (Manners) ..... Yau.
San Miguel (Manners) ..... S.C.
San Rafael (Manners) ..... Yau.
San Ria (Jebsahun) B.17
Sanviken (Jebsahun) B.8
Silverwalnut (RIL) ..... K.wh
Sin Soon Lee (Lee Bros.) ..... Yau.
Sing Hing (Yick Yuen) ..... WP
Smih Mau (Ming Sung) ..... Yau
Store Nordisk (Telegraf) ..... TD
Sui Yuan (E A C) ..... Yau.
Szechuen (B & S) B.14
Tadah (Haisang S/S) ..... Yau
Telchuggakan (Jebsahun) ..... D.G.A.
Tyinan (B & S) B.10
Tai Pico Shan (APC) ..... APC
Tai Po Shan (Shun Cheong) ..... S.C.
Tarifa (Dodwell) A.19
Tela De Laringa (Trinity) A.3
Teh Hu (Teh'Ms SS) ..... S.C.
Tenor Reefer (CMSNY) ..... Yau.
Tjibadak (RIL) A.4
Tiao Yuan (Ming Sung) ..... K.B.
Tonler (Larsen) ..... K.B.
Troteil (Mollers) ..... S.S.Po
Tsui Ee (CMSN) ..... Yau
Tuksan (B & S) B.10
Valve (Hung Hing) ..... K.C.
Vejbura (Hua Chong) ..... Yau.
Wah Chang (Yung Tung) ..... Owner
Wen Hing (China Star) Po Tak wh
Wing Hing (Jardine) ..... J.wh
Yung Tao (King Tai) ..... S.C.
Yen Mei (Ming Sing) ..... Yau.
Yung Kuhn (Lotte) ..... Yau.

Vessels Due From SOUTH AFRICA

	March
Boissevain (RIL)	17
Glenbank (Bank)	6

AMERICA ATLANTIC COAST

	March
American Reporter (USL)	31
Arizona (Dodwell)	6
Bougainville (Bank)	24
California Bear (USL)	13
China Transport (Jardine)	14
China Bear (USL)	19
Colorado (Dodwell)	12
General Gordon (APL)	19
Lightning (USL) ex-Frisco	14
Managarella (Wallem)	12
Pres. Pierce (APL)	11
Pres. Madison (APL)	6
Pres. Wilson (APL) ex-Frisco	16
Sea Serpent (USL)	7
Vancouver (E.A.)	18
Tradewind (USL)	28
Vesteroy (Wallem)	31
Wyoming (Dodwell)	23
	April
Pacific Transport (Jardine)	4
Philippine Transport (Jardine)	21
Pres. Cleveland (APL)	11
Sunnyville (Bank)	21

AUSTRALIA

	March
Ards (Dodwell)	20
Changsha (B & S)	12
Soochow (B & S)	mid.
	April
Hindustan (Jardine)	28
Kafristan (Jardine)	12

CHINA

	March
Chunsang (Jardine) ex-Tientsin	13
Hanyang (B & S) ex-Tientsin	4
Kweiyang (B & S) ex-Keelung	2
Shengking (B & S) ex-Keelung	3
Wingsang (Jardine)	9

EUROPE

	March
Antilochus (B & S) ex-U.K.	30
Automedon (B & S)	7
Anking (B & S) ex-U.K.	30
Benalbannach (Loxley)	5
Benvenue (Loxley)	14
Benvannoch (Loxley)	24
Breconshire (Jardine)	13
Canton (Mac Mac) ex-London	13
City of Poona (Bank)	8
Cyclops (B & S) ex-U.K.	15
Glengary (Jardine)	27
Hemland (Gilman)	end.
Hoogkerk (RIL)	6
Kvernaas (E.A.)	4
Machaon (B & S) ex-U.K.	12
Morella (E.A.)	2
Nagara (Gilman)	20
Patroclus (B & S) ex-U.K.	14
Socotra (Mac Mac)	13
Telemachus (B & S) ex-U.K.	20
Torrens (Thoresen)	27
	April
Bennevis (Loxley)	20
Benerachan (Loxley)	30
Benlawers (Loxley)	2
Bennatow (Loxley)	17
Carthage (Mac Mac)	10
Glengyle (Jardine) ex-U.K.	22
Kampodia (E.A.)	beg.
Meerkerk (RIL)	early
Nordpol (E.A.)	beg.
Radnorshire (Jardine)	11
Selandia (E.A.)	beginning
Shillong (Mac Mac)	13
Talisman (Thoresen)	27
Tonghai (Gilman)	24
	May
Corfu (Mac Mac) ex-London	8
Glenroy (Jardine) ex-U.K.	9

INDIA

	February
Birdhana (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta	28
	March
Evros (Mac Mac)	20
Pemba (Mac Mac) ex-Bombay	
Shirala (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta	14
Taiwa (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta	12

JAPAN

	March
Berlago (RIL)	31
Oyonnax (MM)	12
Pundua (Mac Mac)	8
Shanai (B & S) ex-Kobe	6
Star Betelgeuse (Everett)	31
Taiyuan (B & S)	16
Tjiboodok (RIL)	6
Wosang (Jardine)	14
	April
Boissevain (RIL)	7
Hoetkerk	early
	May
Meerkerk (RIL)	early

SOUTH EAST PORTS

	March
American Report (USL) ex-Manila	30
Boissevain (RIL) ex-Manila	17
Fukien (B & S) ex-Indonesia	5
Mausang (Jardine) ex-Sandakan	21
Maud (B & S) ex-Brunei	3
Norewood (Everett) ex-Manila	early
Nuhol (B & S) ex-Bangkok	8
Star Alcyone (Everett) ex-Singapore	mid
Tjitjalengka (RIL) ex-Java Ports	9
Tjisadane (RIL) ex-Singapore	20
Van Heutsz (RIL) ex-Singapore	16
	April
Pioneer Lake (USL) ex-Manila	8
Pioneer Wave (USL) ex-Manila	20

SOUTH AMERICA

	March
Boissevain (RIL)	17

Sailings To AFRICA

April
8 Boissevain (RIL)

AUSTRALIA

March
6 Ulysses (Dodwell)
10 Talisman (B & S) for Sydney
A.P.
11 Tjisalak (RIL) for Sydney
11 Tjisadane (RIL) for Sydney
11 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Sydney
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1 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Sydney
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AMERICA ATLANTIC COAST

March
8 China Mail (Everett).
11 Steel Worker (Gilman).
12 Borgholt (Wallem).
14 British Prince (Jardine).
12 Anna Maersk (Jebsen).
mid Ocean Mail (Everett).
20 Marine Snapper (APL).
26 Grete Maersk (Jebsen).
29 Steel Executive (Gilman).
31 American Reporter (USL).

April
8 St. Augustine Victory (Gilman).
10 Hopcrest Lake (USL).
12 Frandale (Thoresen).
18 Pres. Johnson (APL).
22 Pioneer Wave (USL).
30 Izadi (Wallem).

PACIFIC COAST

March
1 Francisville (Bank).
1 Oregon (Dodwell).
3 Nikobar (E.A.).
6 Skanbo (Mac Mac).
6 Arizona (Dodwell).
7 Pres. Madison (APL).
8 China Transport (Jardine) via Japan.
8 Sea Serpent (USL).
11 Steel Worker (Gilman).
12 Pres. Pierce (APL).
13 Colorado (Dodwell).
14 China Bear (USL).
16 Lightning (USL) for Frisco.
17 Pres. Wilson (APL) for Frisco.
17 Tungus (Dodwell).
19 Ajax (B & S).
19 General Gordon (APL) for Frisco.
24 California Bear (USL).
24 Wyoming (Dodwell).
29 Steel Executive (Gilman).
30 Castleville (Bank).
30 Tradewind (USL) for Frisco.
31 American Transport (Jardine).

April
3 St. Augustine Victory (Gilman).
8 Pacific Transport (Jardine).
15 Pres. Cleveland (APL) for Frisco.
21 Philippine Transport (Jardine).

CHINA

March
1 Hunan (B & S) for Tsingtao.
2 Taiwa (B & S) for Inchon.
3 Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.
4 Chuysang (Jardine) for Inchon.
5 Shengking (B & S) for Keelung.
12 Lisholt (Wallem) for Taku Bar.

April
6 Igadi (Wallem) for Tsingtao.

EUROPE

February
24 Boheme (Gilman).

March
2 Benavon (Loxley).
3 Tarifa (Thoresen).
3 Morella (E.A.).
6 Peleus (B & S).
9 Glenartney (Jardine) for Aden.
13 Oyonnax (MM).
13 Kyber (Mac Mac).
mid City of Leeds (Bank).
15 Benvenue (Loxley).
18 Canton (Mac Mac) for London.
22 Glenearn (Jardine) for U.K.
24 Benvannoch (Loxley)
26 Automedon (B & S) for Marseilles
31 City of Poona (Bank).
end. Kvernaas (E.A.).

April
Ben. Nordpol (E.A.).
Ben. Selandia (E.A.).
Early Hoogkerk (RIL).
6 Benlawers (Loxley).
8 Naraga (Gilman).
12 Socotra (Mac Mac).
14 Carthage (Mac Mac) for London.
14 Ringerd (MM).
15 Torrens (Thoresen).
21 Benatow (Loxley).
23 Benmacin (Loxley).
end. Kaimbodia (E.A.).

May
Early Meerkerk (RIL).
6 Benerachan (Loxley).
8 Champollion (MM).
13 Corfu (Mac Mac) for London.
15 Ste. Mere Eglise (MM).

June
9 Canton (Mac Mac) for London.

July
7 Carthage (Mac Mac).

August
4 Corfu (Mac Mac) for London.

INDIA

March
10 Pundua (Mac Mac) for Bombay.
19 Shirala (Mac Mac).

JAPAN

March
1 Tintern Sian (Jardine).
2 Sindhana (Mac Mac).
8 Fukien (B & S) for Yokahama.
14 Berlago (RIL).
15 Hermod (Thoresen) for Kobe.
14 Taiwa (Mac Mac).
15 Changsha (B & S).
15 Toogkerk (RIL).
mid Star Alcyone (Everett).
19 Boissevain (RIL).
19 Scherry (Mac Mac) for Kobe.
16 Nellore (Mac Mac).
25 Nagara (Gilman) for Kobe.

April
Early Meerkerk (RIL).

SOUTH EAST PORTS

March
early Norewood (Everett) for Singapore.
1 Hewsang (Jardine) for Sandakan.
3 American Reporter (USL) for Manila.
4 Taaita (Jardine) for Biraik.
4 Kweiyang (B & S) for Bangkok.
5 Hiram (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
5 Tjitjalengka (RIL) for Java Ports.
8 Shanai (B & S) for Bangkok.
13 Star Betelgeuse (Everett) for Singapore.
14 British Prince (Jardine) for Philippines.
14 Pres. Johnson (APL) for Java Ports.
14 Steel Navigator (Gilman) for S. E. Ports.
15 Van Heutsz (Thoresen) for Singapore.
18 Hermelin (Thoresen) for Bangkok.
17 Wosang (Jardine) for Singapore.
19 Pioneer Lake (USL) for Manila.
19 Van Heutsz (RIL) for Singapore.
21 Arthur (B & S) for Singapore.
23 Rosaleville (Bank) for Singapore.
25 Tjisadane (RIL) for Singapore.
27 Pioneer Wave (USL) ex-Manila.
31 Steel Vendor (Gilman) for Saigon.

April
3 Boissevain (RIL) for Manila.
26 Steel Vendor (Gilman) for Saigon.

SOUTH AMERICA

March
31 Glenlarch (Bank).

April
Boissevain (RIL).

ROUND THE WORLD

March
Steel Executive (Gilman).

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

Arrivals

TODAY

AIR FRANCE ex-Saigon, Haiphong: 3.15 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.
PAL ex-Manila.
POAS ex-Singapore via Bangkok: 4 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Taipeh: 4.15 p.m.

TOMORROW

CPA ex-Labuan via Jesselton, Sandakan, Manila: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Singapore via Bangkok: 7 a.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila: 1.45 p.m.; ex-Bangkok: 2.15 p.m.
CPAL ex-Vancouver, Tokyo: 7 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Taipeh: 9.15 p.m. and 4.15 p.m.
BOAC ex-Singapore: 4 p.m.

THURSDAY

CPA ex-Manila: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Saigon: 2.10 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.
QEA ex-Sydney via Labuan: 2.15 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Taipeh: 9.15 a.m. and 4.15 p.m.
BOAC ex-Tokyo: 3.30 p.m.

Departures

TODAY

CPA for Singapore via Bangkok. (connects at Bangkok with Bangkok-Rangoon service): 6.45 a.m.
PAA for New York via Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, Damascus, Istanbul: 2.30 p.m.
BOAC for Bangkok, London: 7 a.m.; for Tokyo: 6.45 a.m.; for Singapore: 9 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Taipeh: 9 a.m.

TOMORROW

AIR FRANCE for Paris via Haiphong, Saigon: 8.30 a.m.
CPA for Saigon: 12 noon; Manila: 2 p.m.
PAA for San Francisco via Okinawa, Tokyo, Wake, Honolulu: 5.30 p.m.; San Francisco via Manila, Guam, Wake, Midway, Honolulu: 4.30 p.m.
PAL for San Francisco via Manila, Honolulu.
POAS for Singapore via Bangkok: 7.15 a.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Taipeh: 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.

THURSDAY

PAA for New York via Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, Damascus, Istanbul, London: 2.30 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Taipeh: 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.
CPAL for Vancouver via Tokyo: 3.30 p.m.

POST OFFICE

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Hoihow. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA. (Kowloon CPO) 4 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.
Ordinary Airmail (Printed Matters, Samples and Small Packet Posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA. (Kowloon CPO) 4 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Haiphong and Saigon. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Taipeh. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Hoihow, 9 a.m.
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Haiphong, 3 p.m.
Manila, Aden, Egypt and Marseilles, 3 p.m.
Straits, 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Manila. (Reg.) 10 a.m. (Ord.) 11 a.m.
Airmail for Hoihow. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m.
Airmail for Taipeh. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Sandakan, 2 p.m.
USA, Canada, Central & South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada). (Par. and Reg.) 1 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.
Japan, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Canada and USA. (Reg.) 10 a.m. (Ord.) 11 a.m.
Airmail for Okinawa and Tokyo. (Reg.) 1 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.
Airmail for Hoihow. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m.
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Basra, Cairo (Matrubi), Morocco, Dakar, Bahrain, Mauritius and Johannesburg via Calcutta, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 9.15 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m. GPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Djakarta and Colombo. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for New Zealand, Sydney and Auckland. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Taipeh. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Honolulu, 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for USA and Canada. (Reg.) 10 a.m. (Ord.) 11 a.m.
Airmail for Hoihow. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada. (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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CHINA MAIL
HONG KONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1950.

Sports Pause
DRINK Coca-Cola

Tsai beats Lee Wai-tong in tennis singles match

Seven matches in the Colony Singles tennis championship were decided yesterday at the Hong Kong Cricket Club with Edwin Tsai a left hander, displaying top form to beat veteran Lee Wai-tong in straight sets, the final score being 6-1, 6-2.

Tsui Wai-pui, a former champion, won his match against B. Fong, conceding only three games.

Showing greater consistency and displaying a variety of strokes that ranked him as one of the best players in the Colony, Edwin Tsai literally swept Lee Wai-tong off his feet in their singles game.

In spite of being beaten in straight sets, Lee put up a very creditable performance against a player who knew all the tricks in tennis.

Tsai's driving, volleying and smashes were very accurate and hard, and time and again he had Lee on the run.

Tsai won the toss and decided to serve. Leading 40-15, Tsai was forced into two errors by Lee to bring the score to deuce. This game was a long one, and after four deuces had been called, Tsai won it.

The second game saw Lee bringing off four brilliant shots to win the game, without conceding a stroke to his opponent. Tsai then by some clever placing and volley won the next two games to lead 3-1.

Six deuces

The next game was bitterly fought out and six deuces had been called, before the game went to Tsai. Tsai then went on to win the next two games and set.

The second set saw Lee taking the first game after beating Tsai with two neat volleys. Tsai then took the next game by some clever smashing to lead 2-1.

Driving accurately and hitting the ball very hard, Tsai took the fourth game to lead 3-1. Not to be beaten, Lee won the next game to be down 2-4.

Tsai then put everything into the game to win the next two games, to give him the set, the score being 6-2.

After conceding the first set at 3-6, Thomas Lo showed fine form to beat S. K. Wong in the next two sets, the score being 6-2, 6-1.

Ho Ka-lau veteran in the tennis championship retired after two sets had been played against C. Y. Wong, Ho lost the first set but won the second.

Henry Lee received a walk over from Chan Fook-hoi, the latter failed to turn up.

The results

Tsui Wai-pui beat B. Fong 6-1, 6-2.

C. Y. Wong beat Ho Ka-lau (retired) 7-5, 3-6.

Roch Liang beat F. H. Kwok 6-2, 6-1.

Eddie Chan beat Patrick Poon 5-7, 6-2, 6-2.

Edwin Tsai beat Lee Wai-tong 6-1, 6-2.

H. A. Ayres beat Wong Shek-man 6-2, 6-3.

Thomas Lo beat S. K. Wong 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.

Today's matches

Ip Koon-hong v A. J. Doyle; A. J. Stewart v G. Choa; H. A. Ayres v C. Y. Wong; Eddie Chan v Edwin Tsai; Tsui Yan-pui v Choy Ting-wah; Au Kam-moon v Lieutenant Colonel Spence.

American Cup match at Fanling

The match for the American Cup resulted in a fairly comfortable victory for the members of the Golf Club. Their lead in the morning made them the guests of the Americans at tiffin. Detailed results were:

SINGLES

AMERICA	CLUB	A	C
J. O'Hare v A.E. Lissaman		½	½
C.E. Hayes v E.T. McMullen		1	0
W.E. Menefee v T.F.R. Waters		1	0
R.S. Anderson v J.J. Cowperthwaite		0	1
M.C. Elliot v H.M. Snow		0	1
F.H. Rodgers v R.E. Rodger		0	1
J.W. Clague v W.A. Stewart		1	0
S.E. Van Nostrand v J.L. Macintyre		0	1
N.A. Gorman v A.R. de Pinna		0	1
H.V. Yergin v T.B. Low		0	1
R. Porter v E.E. Hudson		0	1
W. Portrude v W.A. Nicholas		½	½
J.W. Parper v H.J. Cowie		0	1
H.A. Ayres v E.H. Sainsbury		0	1
P.M. Cotton v L. Goldman		0	1
F.K. Wallace v F.D. Hunter		1	0
D.L. Anderson v B.S. Gordon		½	½
C.J. Keiola v G. Stewart		1	0
M.D. Cooper v H.R. Cleland		0	1
R.A. Crawford v H.H. Mundy		1	0
W.H.S. Davis v P.M. McDonnell		1	0
F.A. Knapke v N.J. Whelpton		0	1
W.M. Simmons v J. Linaker		0	0
G. Gallop v K.H. Richard		0	1
K.J. Walden v T.D. Drysdale		0	1
J.M. Voss v P.A. Laroche		1	0
H.M. Wilbur v W.H. Paterson		0	1
F. Howard v D.H. Blake		0	1
Morning		10½	16½

FOURSOMES OR FOURBALLS

O'Hare & Hayes v Lissaman & McMullen	0	2
Cotton & Wallace v Goldman & Hunter	0	2
Menefee & R.S. Anderson v Waters & Cowperthwaite	0	2
D.L. Anderson & Keiola v Gordon & G. Stewart	2	0
Elliot & F.H. Rodgers v Snow & R.E. Rodger	0	2
Cooper & Crawford v Cleland & Mundy	2	0
Clague & Van Nostrand v W.A. Stewart & Macintyre	0	2
Davis & Knapke v McDonnell & Whelpton	2	0
Gorman & Yergin v Pinna & Low	0	2
Simmons & Gallop v Linaker & Richard	2	0
Porter & Portrude v Hudson & Nicholas	0	2
Walden & Voss v Drysdale & Laroche	2	0
J.W. Harper & Ayres v Cowie & Sainsbury	0	2
Wilbur & Howard v Paterson & Blake	0	2
Afternoon	10	18
Morning	10½	16½
Total	20½	34½

Win Inter-Unit Shield

The Hong Kong Defence Force hockey team which won the Inter-Unit Shield by defeating the 14th Field Regiment at Sookunpoo by two goals to nil yesterday. They will represent Hong Kong in the Inter-Unit games in Singapore on March 10 and 12.
Standing (left to right): Major B. G. Pugh, Peter A. Rull, S. A. Fowler, R. Clarke, A. L. Nery and B. N. Slater.
Kneeling (left to right): C. A. Guterres, A. A. Marques, A. R. Osmund, G. N. Gosano and J. B. Gonsalves.

HKDF hockey team to represent HK in Singapore tourney

The Hong Kong Defence Force hockey eleven by defeating the 14th Field Regiment in their second hockey replay at Sookunpoo yesterday by two goals to nil won the Army Inter-Unit Hockey Shield and at the same time earned the right to represent the local Army in the Singapore Inter-Units' Hockey tournament.

The game began very tamely with many mid-field exchanges. Several fine runs down the left wing by C. Guterres of the Defence Force relieved the monotony in the opening minutes. However the fine defence put up by the Gunner's intermediate line of J. B. Browne, A. B. Dudley and J. W. Butler kept the Force's attack at bay.

Play gradually gained momentum as time passed and the defence of both teams were called upon in turn to repulse attacks by the opposing forwards.

The two pivots, G. N. Gosano for the Defence Force and A. B. Dudley for the Gunners claimed the limelight with their fine tackling and feeding of their respective forwards.

A. McClelland and J. G. Ledingham were stalwarts in defence and during the initial half P. G. Hill had a very quiet time in the Gunner's goal.

A. L. Nery, the Force's right back was always the stumbling block in the Gunner's attack with his hefty but timely clearances. J. B. Gonsalves gave him invaluable support in his quiet but efficient way.

Although G. A. Pitcher appeared to be slightly off form, still together with J. M. Mann and V. Walker, they formed a forward combination which was always dangerous when in possession of the ball and kept the Force's defence working overtime.

S. A. Fowler led the Force's attack ably backed by P. Rull and A. A. Marques.

The first half ended with neither side able to penetrate the other's defence although each goalie was tested on several occasions.

Gosano scores

The second half had barely got under way when Fowler broke through down the centre. When tackled by Dudley he veered towards the left wing and centred the ball with a fine cross shot. P. Rull who had rushed to take the centre-forward position cleverly drew the defence to him but made no attempt to stop the pass allowing it to go to G. Gosano whose first-timer found the net with Hill out of position.

The Gunners went all out after this sudden reverse and they literally stormed the Defence Force's goal. But try as they could the stolid defence of Nery and Gonsalves kept them from scoring the equaliser.

At times when the Gunners seemed to be getting the better of the Force's defence the forwards dropped back to relieve the pressure and Rull and Fowler combined to bring the ball back into mid-field on many occasions.

About ten minutes from time, Guterres made another of his spectacular dashes down the wing with the ball. The centre was pounced upon by Gosano and Marques with Ledingham in attendance.

Ledingham and Gosano. Cleverly eluding Ledingham after the ball Gosano coolly placed the ball into the empty goal to make the Defence Force two up.

The Gunners never gave up trying but it was not their day. Just before time the Force's attack again got underway but shots from Fowler, Guterres and Marques were blocked by the alert Hill.

After the game, Mrs. D.F. Pugh wife of Major Pugh presented the Inter-Unit Challenge Shield to K.D. Seyer, non-playing captain of the Hong Kong Defence Force team and also medals to the players of both teams.

Hong Kong Defence Force: R. Clarke; A.L. Nery, J.B. Gonsalves; A.R. Osmund, G.N. Gosano Major B.G. Pugh; P.N. Slater A.A. Marques, S.A. Fowler, P. Rull, C.A. Guterres.

14th Field Regiment: P.G. Hill J.G. Ledingham, A. McClelland J.B. Browne, A.B. Dudley, J.W. Butler; C.R. Rector, M.A. Hayde J.M. Mann, G.A. Pitcher, V. Walker.

Singapore matches

The Hong Koag Defence Force Hockey team which won the Inter-Unit Hockey Shield yesterday will represent the Hong Kong Army in the Inter-Unit Hockey matches in Singapore. The games will be played on March 10 and 12.

The team will leave Hong Kong on Friday, March 3 in the ss. Devonshire. After the games they will return to the Colony by the ss. Empire Orwell which leave Singapore on March 14 and arrives in Hong Kong on March 16.

Those of the Defence Force who have been chosen to make the trip to Singapore are:

K.D. Seyer (Captain), R. Clarke, Major B.G. Pugh, A.L. Nery, J.B. Gonsalves, A.R. Osmund, G.N. Gosano, P.N. Slater, A.A. Marques, S.A. Fowler, P.A. Rull, C.A. Guterres, G. Silva and A.N. Other.

Hunt Club Notes

A lovely sunny day with a fresh breeze provided ideal conditions for the meet of the Hunt at the Baillie Bridge beyond Sheung Shui village on Sunday. A particular good turnout of riders and spectators was seen.

The man on the spot, being a trifle late, was unable to get round to having a word with many of the foot followers of the hunting scene, but it was good to see several new visitors present.

Among those who took part were four well mounted gentlemen from the RAVC and RASC who had exemplified their keeness in having hacked no less than eight miles to the meet.

There were also three notable cross country riders, Private J. Elliot (Whipper-in to the College Valley Foxhounds), Major Lester Morgan and Mr. R.A. Joscelyne.

With the line laid by Majors Williams and Mann a good run was assured.

Lt. Col. Symons, Buffy Maitland and Bill O'Neil, stood down owing to lack of horses. When the field of 20 moved off to a start it closely resembled the 'Charge of the Light Brigade' in a cloud of dust along the tank tracks.

At the end of the grass country the leading hounds went completely off scent and it was only after some wide casts around that the field somewhat dispersed, galloped on to check at San Uk Ling village.

Here, incidentally a grand view of the straffing of Shumchun village by Nationalists planes was witnessed.

The field ran on through Telephone Pass into Laffans Plain and fringing the paddy fields circled back with Pte. Deacon going great guns in the lead through Vimy Ridge Pass and over some delightful varied country before taking a breather at the second check overlooking the Border Road.

With girths tightened up again the field still all complete were off on the last leg over some of the best of galloping country, with however the odd pitfall for the unwary; Jean (late Victory ship) came to grief on the slopes of Table Hill, leaving its rider with a walk home.

Aided by local knowledge Silver Wheel and The Chief took the lead over Crown Ridge and along the homeward stretch of the Cheviot Foothills. A bunch of five made a most spectacular finish over the Indus river at the Hunt Stables with HOP YICK putting in a well timed paddle strike to bring his Mistress Christobel Cayford first onto the bank. Major Madoc (Kelly) and Miss Molly Terry (Rustylight) were in close attendance.

The riders included Miss Hanko Miss Terry, Pte. J. Elliot, Lt Walker, 2/Lt. Featherstone Godley, Capt. Green, Capt. Jones, Lt Benson, Mr. Grieve, Mrs. Cayford, Capt. Chappel, Staff Sergt. Hay, Sgt. Hall, Pte. Deacon, Major Williams, Major Mann, Major Morgan, Mr. R.A. Joscelyne, Major Richards and Major Madoc. Madoc.

The next hunt will be on March 12.

Visiting tennis stars to compete at Cairo

The international tennis stars now visiting Hong Kong are expected to compete in the Egyptian Championships starting at the Gezira Sporting Club in Cairo on March 3.

They are Pedro Masip, of Spain, and Mr. and Mrs. Heraldo Weiss, of Argentina, who have just concluded a series of exhibition matches in Hong Kong.

According to Associated Press, they will have plenty of tough opposition, for some of the world's best players are competing.

Beautiful Gertrude Moran heads a team of four American girls who are to play in the Egyptian Championships, and her recent romance and her lack panties—if she wears them—will add to the excitement of the tourney.

Pat Todd, Barbara Scofield and Gloria Butler are the other American women entrants.

The Egyptian Lawn Tennis Association has ambitions this year. It claims that the forthcoming championships will rank behind only Wimbledon and Forest Hills.

"We are confident we can do better than Roland Garros, where France's International Championships are played," said Habib Sursock, EL'TA Secretary-General.

Many stars

Mr. Sursock, addressing a news conference, read out a star-studded entry list for the tourney which Frankie Parker (U.S.A.) won last year. The women's 1949 champion was Madame Nelly Adamson (Landry) of France.

The women's event, in addition to the four Americans, will comprise Britain's Jean Quertier, Italy's Annalisa Bossi, and Mrs. Heraldo Weiss of Argentina.

In the men's tourney, most of the reigning stars of the world's amateur tennis will be in action. They include:—

Jaroslav Drobny, the self-exiled Czech, who reached Wimbledon's final in 1949 to be beaten in five sets by Ted Schroeder (U.S.A.). Drobny played in last year's championships at Cairo but retired from the men's singles semi-finals because of lumbago. It was reported at the time—and the report proved true a few months later—that Drobny had been ordered out of the tournament by the Czech authorities, because Germans and Spaniards were playing. Drobny's partner, Vladimir Czernik, also self-exiled, is also expected to go to Cairo.

Scandinavia will be represented by a strong team comprising Einer Ulrich and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark, and Torsten Johanssen of Sweden.

Ampon may go

Other stars whose entry has been confirmed are Pedro Massip and Jaime Bartoli, Spain, Heraldo Weiss of Argentina, Jack Harper of Australia, Philippe Washer of Belgium, Pat Hughes of Britain, Budge Patty of the U.S., Henri Cochet of France and Germany's Gottfried von Cramm.

Mr. Sursock is expecting a final answer from Billy Talbert of U.S.A., John Bromwich and Geoff Brown of Australia, Gianni Cucelli of Italy and Felicissimo Ampon of the Philippines. Other probables, he added, are Lennart Bergelin of Sweden, Robert Abdesselam of France and Jacques Peten of Belgium.

Against these stars of more than 12 nations, Egypt will match its champions, Adly Shafei and Marcel Coen.

More than 100 entries of local players are expected, Mr. Sursock said. These will play in a qualifying round as the tournament proper will start with 32 players in the men's singles and 16 pairs in the men's doubles. The qualifying rounds start tomorrow.

A new centre court, with a seating capacity of 6,000, is being built at the Gezira Sporting Club, Mr. Sursock said.

The scene of the event, Cairo's leading sports club, extends over several acres on beautiful Gezira, an island in the Nile, in the heart of Cairo.

SAN REMO TENNIS

San Remo, February 26.

Rolando del Bello, of Italy, today won the men's singles in an international lawn tennis tournament here. He defeated Torsten Johansson, of Sweden, by 8-6, 6-2, 1-6, 7-5 in the final.

Italian players also won the women's singles and the men's doubles. Mrs. A. Bossi took the women's singles with a 2-6, 6-2, 6-1 win over a compatriot, Miss Nicla. Marcello del Bello and Gianni Cucelli won the men's doubles, defeating Johannson and Jack Harper (Australia) by 6-2, 6-3 and 6-1 in the final.—Reuter.

Stockholm, February 26.

The Edmonton Mercurys, Canada's team for the World Ice Hockey Championship in London, tonight beat a combined team from Grestrike Province (Central Sweden) by 19 goals to one at Gaevle. The period scores were 4-0, 5-0 and 10-1.—Reuter.

Ladies' Singles holder wins her match in Badminton tournament

(By "ARGONAUT")

Displaying all-round superiority, Miss Ulian Khoo, holder of the Colony Badminton Ladies' Singles title, eliminated plucky Miss Bernadine Remedios in the main attraction of last night's Championship games at Victoria Recreation Club.

In another attractive game, the Malayan boys, N. K. Chin and K. K. Loke of Hong Kong University, gave a rousing display when they defeated F. Brockbank and H. Ridsdale in two sets.

The curtain-raiser was a David versus Goliath affair, in which tiny three-foot-six Lau Chew-kan was towered over by his full-sized opponent Edward Hsi. David did not win this time and had to bide his time for his revenge.

In the Schoolboys' Doubles J. Pomeroy Jr. was again conspicuous when he carried his side to an easy two-set win with well-placed shots and hard smashes.

C. H. Ngan and B. Chow of Shallanders proved too good for Hefti and Breingan but in the other Junior game, F. Brockbank and H. Ridsdale went down gallantly against the superior pair of N. K. Chin and K. K. Loke. Much faster on their feet, the University boys employed their rushing tactics with effective results. These, together with their stinging smashes set a pace slighty too fast for the elder combination.

In her first appearance, Ulian Khoo of the Chinese YMCA showed that she has lost none of the form which enabled her to win the Ladies' Championship last year. On such a form Bernadine Remedios, though beaten was not disgraced. There were times when she had the champion as much on the run as she herself, and it was only her inaccuracies and errors at the critical points, that lost her many valuable points.

Tonight's games

Two Men's Senior matches feature tonight's Championship programme at the Club de Recreio.

Marked with a big asterisk is the Senior Men's Singles clash between P. H. Wong, a former Colony Singles Champion, and K. S. Low the current University Champion and former Malayan Doubles Champion. One of the season's best games is indicated here as two battle-tried veterans have it out.

Not less interesting, though another type of event, is the Senior Men's Doubles tussle between the Shanghai champions, Bill Funk and S. K. Howe and two of the Colony's former Junior champions, Ramon Young and Bill Gillies. Sparks and fireworks galore should be let loose in this game.

Full results

Schoolboys' Singles: Edward C. Y. Hsi beat Lau Chew-kan, 15-2, 15-2.

Schoolboys' Doubles: Tai Hon-lee and Fan Chun-leong beat Ng Yuen-sun and Ko Wai-pong. 17-15, 11-15, 15-2; F. Allayo and J. Pomeroy Jr. beat Phoon Waiwor and Chan Hin-wing, 15-7, 15-4.

Junior Men's Singles: S.T. Hooi v. M. T. Lam (postponed).

Junior Men's Doubles: A.D. Brown and A. J. Gonsalves beat M.H. Liang and S. Hsi, w.o; C.H. Ngan and B. Chow beat H. Hefti and A.D. Breingan, 15-2, 15-5, N.K. Chin and K.K. Loke beat F. Brockbank and H. Ridsdale, 15-0, 15-7.

Ladies' Singles: Miss U. Khoo beat Miss B. Remedios, 11-7, 11-3.

Senior Men's Doubles: R. Young and W. Gillies v. Bill Funk and S.K. Howe (postponed).

Tonight's games at the Club de Recreio:

7.00 p.m. Schoolboys' Singles: Anthony Ching v Fan Chun-leong.

7.30 p.m. Schoolboys' Doubles: K. Y. Tso and B. Saw v P. McRae and M. Salter.

8.00 p.m. Junior Men's Doubles: D. Kwok and T. Y. Tsun v I. Erickson and J. Yvanovich.

8.30 p.m. Junior Men's Doubles: K.F. Chiu and A. Ho v M. Kempton and G. Bleakinsop.

9.00 p.m. Ladies' Doubles: Miss R. Marques and Mrs. A. N. Campos v Miss M. Ribeiro and Mrs M. Rosario.

9.30 p.m. Senior Men's Doubles: R. Young and W. Gillies v Bill Funk and S. K. Howe.

10.00 p.m. Senior Men's Singles: P. H. Wong v S. K. Low.

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INDIES TEAM'S STRENGTH

London, February 26.

The team chosen by the West Indies to tour England next summer should prove one of the strongest that has visited this country from any part of the Commonwealth.

Of the 16 players chosen, five already enjoy experience of English conditions. They are Jeff Stollmeyer, Gerry Gomez, Frank Worrell, Everton Weekes and Alan Rae, and providing the weather is suitable, most of the others should settle down quickly.

Apart from a few specialists the team is well-equipped with all-rounders, a type English cricket so badly lacks.

The strength of the side seems to be in its batting and fast bowling. Worrell, Weekes, Stollmeyer, and Gomez are fine batsmen with a rich vocabulary of strokes. They are well supported by Ken Trestrail, Robert Christiani and Clive Walcott, who is also the wicket-keeper.

There is a battery of three genuine fast bowlers in Hines Johnson, Prior Jones and Vance Pierre. Johnson stands six feet four inches and is 28. He will, no doubt, be kept back as the "shock" man for the Tests.

In the only Test for which Johnson could spare time to play against England two years ago, in Jamaica, he took 10 wickets for 96 runs.

John Goddard, the captain, is a fine leader as well as a great cricketer. He is a hard-hitting left-handed batsman and a right-arm medium-paced off-break bowler.

The side, toughened by the experience of many of its members in India, will be hard to get out and English cricket is in for another testing time.

The West Indies team will play a one-day match against the Indian Gymkhana at Osterley Park, Middlesex on May 6 and two days later will play Worcestershire at Worcester. Another match will be played against the Combined Universities at Oxford on May 10.

FA Cup decision welcomed by fans

London, February 26.

Most football followers, in London as well as in the Midlands and the North, welcome the Football Association Council's decision not to hold the F.A. Cup semi-finals at Wembley Stadium.

London already gets more than its share of soccer's "show" games, with the England-Scotland match, the F.A. Cup and F.A. Amateur Cup finals at Wembley, besides other internationals at Highbury and Tottenham on occasion.

The real reason behind the original proposal to play the semi-finals at Wembley was to give more people the opportunity of seeing the games. Quite 40,000 more could watch the two games there than at any two other grounds, and vast crowds are dealt with more easily at Wembley, which is well served by direct transport from all parts.

That the Football Association may raise the proposal on a future occasion seems probable from the suggestion that in the event of two London clubs, Arsenal and Chelsea, being drawn against each other in the semi-final this year, they should meet at Wembley.

Such a tie would have to be played in the Metropolitan area, with Tottenham the only suitable neutral ground other than Wembley.

Unfortunately, the traffic chaos around White Hart Lane before and after the England-Italy match last November may make the Football Association think twice before choosing it for another big fixture.

Wembley would appear ideal for the occasion, but obviously it would give cause for serious and legitimate complaints from the other semi-finalists. Many a Cup final has been won by the side which soonest conquered "Wembley nerves", that mysterious malady which afflicts even the most hardened players on the perfect turf of the vast arena.

Obviously unfair

For the finalist to have played recently and successfully at Wembley, while it remained strange and awesome territory to the other, would be manifestly unfair.

It is probably best that the present system of choosing the nearest suitable and available ground as far as possible midway between the competing clubs should continue.

Although on neutral soil, the match primarily belongs to the supporters of those clubs, and they should be given a chance to travel without too much inconvenience and expense.

The final is a different matter. Wembley has lent untold additional glamour to what was always the most attractive match of the season, and many club players and followers alike, feel that to play other Cup games there would detract from the final's magical attraction.

To the ever-increasing army of television viewers, that decision against Wembley semi-finals is disappointment, for it was probable that the F.A. would have sanctioned transmission, which is barred on Football League club grounds.—Reuter.

Paris, February 26.

Pierre Jodet, of Paris, today won the French cross-country cycling championship, covering the 21-kilometres (14 miles) in 1 hr. 4 min. 20 secs.—Reuter.

NZ ATHLETICS

Timaru, New Zealand, February 26.

British and Canadian Empire athletes put up some fine performances and received a grand reception from the spectators at the Timaru sports meeting yesterday.

Duncan Clark, of Scotland, put up his best performance yet by throwing the hammer 181 feet 11½ inches.—Australian Press.

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